

What went right:

The group did a good job of communicating with each other. Every member of the group went to the meetings and discussed what they did. Although there were mistakes made with the effort point estimations, when the group realized that some of the stories would not get finished, they quickly began to plan ahead for the next sprint. For example, some members who had a story that did not get finished began to create new stories based on what had already been completed.

What went wrong:

The group needed to do a better job of containing the scope of their user stories. There were a number of stories that didn't get done and had to be put on the backlog for the next sprint. After discussing the matter, we came to the conclusion that this was likely because we had stories that were too large. There were a lot of 4 point stories that could have been broken down into smaller, more manageable stories to make the amount of work much better. More specifically, we need to do a better job of estimating the number of points a user story is worth. This sprint suffered a lot from underestimating the amount of effort that the stories would require, thus leading to work not being completed. Going forward, it would be best to come together as a team and have each person review the amount of effort points that have been assigned to a story before officially putting it into the sprint backlog.