

Using the **Essence Standards Checklist for Way-of-Working** we have established that we are in the state *“In Use”*. This step entails that we have chosen a way of working which is used by most of the team, and most of the time. Through some guided trial and error we have established a way of working that we all have agreed to not only be compliant with what the course material establishes, but also our dynamic as a group. We have established which tools to use as a group, and we have established standards and formats of which we should aspire to hold ourselves to during our work. The feedback on both the work on the usage of these standards is conducted regularly as well, through either text or during our meetings that we regularly do. The reason that we believe that we are in this step, summarily, is because all of the points listed within the Essence standard are things that we initially struggled with, but learnt to overcome in the meantime, meaning that this has been a major focus for us, allowing a seamless transition into the next task. However, as these were established progressively we still have some work required to reach the next step. This specifically regards the point where the whole team adheres to these standards. Currently everyone tries to hold everyone to them, as previously stated, but there is a lot of information which each member needs to know and thus occasionally things are forgotten or missed. Occasionally some things are left out, but this is often caught during our regular code review sessions. We thus believe that by working together further would cement these standards within the group and allow us to progress to the next level, *“In Place”*.