Task 5: Curve Balls

# Scenario 1

The team has a scheduled daily stand-up at 9 am in the morning. The meetings usually take over an hour. A lot of time is spent discussing a tricky dependency between several tasks that requires extensive conversation.

## Diagnosis

Daily Stand-ups needs to be short with strict agenda

## Remedy

Scrum master should keep separate sessions for brainstorming sessions only on that particular issues concerning the respective teams who are responsible for those issues.

# Scenario 2

In the beginning of the sprint the tasks were picked up by the development team. However, by the middle of the sprint, development team starts to look to Scrum Master to assign tasks to individual developers.

## Diagnosis

The main advantage of agile is that it is not a top-down approach like the waterfall model. Communication and collaboration is the key.

## Remedy

The Scrum master should discuss and encourage the importance of team collaboration.

# Scenario 3

If a development team member needs to discuss a task with the Product Owner, the developer approaches Scrum Master to help set up a meeting with the Product Owner.

## Diagnosis

The active participation of the product owner is an integral part of the agile. The product owner, scrum master and team in the sprint must work together with active communication.

## Remedy

The product owner must ensure that there is no such problem between the communications with all participants.

# Scenario 4

The team is using the latest Agile Application Lifecycle Management tool because it is supposed to be most effective. However, most of the team is having hard time getting used to the tool.

## Diagnosis

Generally any new version has enhanced capabilities than previous version. But members are feeling difficult to adopt to it.

## Remedy

In the present case new ALM is hindrance rather than enhancing tool. So it is important to focus on individual’s interactions and team collaborations rather than tools.