

Agile Software Requirements

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Chapter 12:

Requirements Discovery Toolkit

Techniques that teams can use

- 1) Requirements workshops
- 2) Brainstorming
- 3) Interviews and questionnaires
- 4) User experience mock-ups
- 5) Product council
- 6) Competitive analysis
- 7) Customer change request systems
- 8) Use-case modeling

Requirement Workshop (1)

Selling the Concept

- This is typically not a difficult process, but surprisingly it's not unusual to encounter resistance.
- Ensuring the Participation of the Right Stakeholders.
 - Chapter7
- Attending to Logistics.
 - Murphy's law—"Whatever can go wrong will go wrong" should be your guideline

Requirement Workshop (2)

1) Providing Warm-up Materials

- Project-specific information
- Out-of-the-box thinking information

2) Setting the Agenda

The agenda for the workshop will be based on the length, the needs of the particular project, and the content that needs to be developed.

3) Running the Workshop

Brainstorming (1)

1) Idea Generation

- Do not allow criticism or debate
- Let your imagination soar
- Generate as many ideas as possible
- Mutate and combine ideas

2) Idea Reduction

 Of course, not all ideas are worthy of consideration for the solution.

3) Pruning Ideas

• The first step is to "prune" those ideas that are not worthy of further investment by the group.

Brainstorming (2)

4) Grouping Ideas

• It may be helpful during this process to start grouping similar ideas.

5) Defining Features

 At this point, ideas can be converted to prospective feature descriptions by drafting a short description of what the idea means

6) Idea Prioritization

- Cumulative Voting: The \$100 Test
- "Critical, Important, Useful" Categorization