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Now celebrating the 42nd anniversary of The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy, soon to be a Hulu original series! "A madcap adventure . . . Adams's writing teeters on the fringe of inspired lunacy."—United Press International Back on Earth with nothing more to show for his long, strange trip through time and space than a ratty towel and a plastic shopping bag, Arthur Dent is ready to believe that the past eight years were all just a figment of his stressed-out imagination. But a gift-wrapped fishbowl with a cryptic inscription, the mysterious disappearance of Earth's dolphins, and the discovery of his battered copy of The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy all conspire to give Arthur the sneaking suspicion that something otherworldly is indeed going on. God only knows what it all means. Fortunately, He left behind a Final Message of explanation. But since it's light-years away from Earth, on a star surrounded by souvenir booths, finding out what it is will mean hitching a ride to the far reaches of space aboard a UFO with a giant robot. What else is new? "The most ridiculously exaggerated situation comedy known to created beings . . . Adams is irresistible."—The Boston Globe

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Decouvrez comment coacher votre equipe pour qu'elle devienne plus agile. Ce livre demystifie les pratiques agiles, il s'agit d'un guide pratique pour creer des equipes agiles solides. Enrichi avec les conseils utiles des coachs agiles Rachel Davies et Liz Sedley, ce livre vous donne des outils de coaching que vous pouvez utiliser si vous etes chef de projet, responsable technique ou membre d'une equipe de developpement logiciel.

**How to Lead in Product Management: Practices to Align Stakeholders, Guide Development Teams, and Create Value Together** SAGE

Agile Estimating and Planning is the definitive, practical guide to estimating and planning agile projects. In this book, Agile Alliance cofounder Mike Cohn discusses the philosophy of agile estimating and planning and shows you exactly how to get the job done, with real-world examples and case studies. Concepts are clearly illustrated and readers are guided, step by step, toward how to answer the following questions: What will we build? How big will it be? When must it be done? How much can I really complete by then? You will first learn what makes a good plan-and then what makes it agile. Using the techniques in Agile Estimating and Planning, you can stay agile from start to finish, saving time, conserving resources, and accomplishing more. Highlights include: Why conventional prescriptive planning fails and why agile planning works How to estimate feature size using story points and ideal days-and when to use each How and when to re-estimate How to prioritize features using both financial and nonfinancial approaches How to split large features into smaller, more manageable ones How to plan iterations and predict your team's initial rate of progress How to schedule projects that have unusually high uncertainty or schedule-related risk How to estimate projects that will be worked on by multiple teams Agile Estimating and Planning supports any agile, semiagile, or iterative process, including Scrum, XP, Feature-Driven Development, Crystal, Adaptive Software Development, DSDM, Unified Process, and many more. It will be an indispensable resource for every development manager, team leader, and team member. **A Practical Guide to the Most Popular Agile Process** Addison-Wesley Professional

WHAT IS THIS BOOK ABOUT? 7 Ways to Improve Your Requirements Elicitation Skills Getting the right requirements from the right people at the right time for your project is a critical success factor

for any IT project. Nearly every study over the past 40 years has pinpointed missing and misunderstood IT requirements as the primary cause of IT project failures and overruns.

"Requirements Elicitation Techniques – Simply Put!" presents 7 requirements definition techniques that evolved from our work with customers to meet that specific challenge. This book is a continuation of our Requirements Elicitation series. The previously published book "Requirements Elicitation Interviews and Workshops – Simply Put" deals with soft skills (i.e. how to run a requirements workshop) needed to elicit requirements. The book defines the concept of requirements elicitation and explains why it is necessary. It presents specific business analysis techniques for identifying stakeholders, analyzing relevant business problems, helping stakeholders discover what they need and want the solution to deliver, and a set of key questions you need answered to initiate and manage the elicitation process. Applying these techniques will significantly improve your requirements elicitation outcomes. "Requirements Elicitation Techniques – Simply Put!" will help practicing business analysts, future business analysts, subject matter experts, managers, product owners, project managers, and anyone responsible for getting the right requirements from the right people. You will learn how to: - Identify potential stakeholders - Manage the requirements elicitation process - Track progress toward requirements completion - Define and analyze business problems to ferret out hidden requirements - Facilitate effective requirements brainstorming sessions - Use 10 critical questions to initiate the WHO WILL BENEFIT FROM READING THIS BOOK? Many distinct roles or job titles in the business community perform business needs analysis for digital solutions. They include: - Product Owners - Business Analysts - Requirements Engineers - Business- and Customer-side Team Members - Agile Team Members - Subject Matter Experts (SME) - Project Leaders and Managers - Systems Analysts and Designers - AND "anyone wearing the business analysis hat", meaning anyone responsible for defining a future digital solution TOM AND ANGELA'S (the authors) STORY Like all good IT stories, theirs started on a project many years ago. Tom was the super techie, Angela the super SME. They fought their way through the 3-year development of a new policy maintenance system for an insurance company. They vehemently disagreed on many aspects, but in the process discovered a fundamental truth about IT projects. The business community (Angela) should decide on the business needs while the technical team's (Tom)'s job was to make the technology deliver what the business needed. Talk about a revolutionary idea! All that was left was learning how to communicate with each other without bloodshed to make the project a resounding success. Mission accomplished. They decided this epiphany was so important that the world needed to know about it. As a result, they made it their mission (and their passion) to share this ground-breaking concept with the rest of the world. To achieve that lofty goal, they married and began the mission that still defines their life. After over 30 years of living and working together 24x7x365, they are still wildly enthusiastic about helping the victims of technology learn how to ask for and get the digital (IT) solutions they need to do their jobs better. More importantly, they are more enthusiastically in love with each other than ever before! *User Story Mapping* Pichler Consulting

"This book should be required reading for leaders looking to implement Agile in their organizations." - Sam Brilliant, Sr. Program Manager, Navy Federal Credit Union. Agile transformation is hard to achieve. It is especially difficult when the common notion of what that means is misconstrued. What many are calling Agile is not Agile, and they don't even know it. This misunderstanding leads to misapplication. The result is that true Agile transformation remains elusive. It's time to rethink your approach! What you do matters, but why you do it matters more. This book will help you learn from the mistakes of the "common wisdom" and discover a proven path to organizational agility where Mindset Transcends Methodology. "Jimmie has a knack for challenging the common wisdom and



helping teams think differently about what success looks like." - John Laub, President, Gray Leaf Technology Consultants. To solve a problem, you must first understand the problem. The first half of the book contrasts the true meaning and intent of Agile with what most organizations are actually doing in order to help you understand where your organization sits within that spectrum. Armed with an understanding of the problem, the latter half of the book provides a tried and proven approach to moving teams and organizations toward a genuine Agile transformation, and ultimately a Timeless Agility. Timeless Agility is the outcome of a mindset that transcends methodology. It consistently allows you to effectively and efficiently identify, produce, and deliver the next right thing, regardless of methodology trends. To attain Timeless Agility, to reach for that elusive organizational agility, your entire organization needs to think differently. Agile transformation, therefore, is going to be more about transforming minds than practices. Your understanding impacts what you do and how you do it. What you believe and value is the foundation from which all else derives. How you do your work will change over time as you learn and grow, but why you do what you do transcends all of those changes. Very few organizations have actually achieved organization-wide transformation. Many are on the wrong path altogether. Perhaps the common approaches and thought processes taught are not necessarily what you should emulate. To get over that proverbial hump, it is time to look at this from a different perspective. This book will show you Agile from a different lens than you may be wearing right now. Embrace it and evaluate for yourself.

#### **User Experience Mapping** Del Rey

A comedian and Moth veteran lays out useful tips and tricks for maximizing the impact of your stories—so you can nail it every time Do you ever wish you could tell a story that leaves others spellbound? Comedian, Upright Citizens Brigade storytelling program founder, and Moth champion Margot Leitman will show you how in this practical guide to storytelling. Using a fun, irreverent, and infographic approach, Long Story Short breaks a story into concrete components. From content and structure to emotional impact and delivery, Leitman guides you through the entire storytelling process, providing personal anecdotes, relatable examples, and practical exercises along the way. Using a fun, irreverent, and infographic approach, Long Story Short breaks a story into concrete components. From content and structure to emotional impact and delivery, Leitman guides you through the entire storytelling process, providing personal anecdotes, relatable examples, and practical exercises along the way.

#### **Data Bias in a World Designed for Men** Independently Published

Every organization makes plans for updating products, technologies, and business processes. But that's not enough anymore for the twenty-first-century company. The race is now on for everyone to become a digital enterprise. For those individuals who have been charged with leading their company's technology-driven change, the pressure is intense while the correct path forward unclear. Help has arrived! In *Driving Digital*, author Isaac Sacolick shares the lessons he's learned over the years as he has successfully spearheaded multiple transformations and helped shape digital-business best practices. Readers no longer have to blindly trek through the mine field of their company's digital transformation. In this thoroughly researched one-stop manual, learn how to:

- Formulate a digital strategy
- Transform business and IT practices
- Align development and operations
- Drive culture change
- Bolster digital talent
- Capture and track ROI
- Develop innovative digital practices
- Pilot emerging technologies
- And more!

Your company cannot avoid the digital disruption heading its way. The choice is yours: Will this mean the beginning of the end for your business, or will your digital practices be what catapults you into next-level success?

#### **User Stories** Addison-Wesley Professional

This book will help you become a better product leader. Benefitting from Roman Pichler's extensive experience, you will learn how to align stakeholders and guide development teams even in challenging circumstances, avoid common leadership mistakes, and grow as a leader. Written in an engaging and easily accessible style, *How to Lead in Product Management* offers a wealth of practical tips and strategies. Through helpful examples, the book illustrates how you can directly apply the techniques to your work. Coverage includes:

- \* Choosing the right leadership style
- \* Cultivating empathy, building trust, and influencing others
- \* Increasing your authority and empowering others
- \* Directing stakeholders and development teams through common goals
- \* Making decisions that people will support and follow through
- \* Successfully resolving disputes and conflicts even with senior stakeholders
- \* Listening deeply to discover and address hidden needs and interests
- \* Practising mindfulness and embracing a growth mindset to develop as a leader

Praise for *How to Lead in Product Management*: "Roman has done it again, delivering a practical book for the product management community that appeals to both heart and mind. *How to Lead in Product Management* is packed with concise, direct, and practical advice that addresses the deeper, personal aspects of the product leadership. Roman's book shares wisdom on topics including goals, healthy interactions with stakeholders, handling conflict, effective conversations, decision-making, having a growth mindset, and self-care. It is a must read for both new and experienced product people." ~Ellen Gottesdiener, Product Coach at EBG Consulting "Being a great product manager is tough. It requires domain knowledge, industry knowledge, technical skills, but also the skills to lead and inspire a team. Roman Pichler's *How to Lead in Product Management* is the best book I've read for equipping product managers to lead their teams." ~Mike Cohn, Author of *Succeeding with Agile*, *Agile Estimating and Planning*, and *User Stories Applied* "This is the book that has been missing for product people. Roman has created another masterpiece, a fast read with lots of value. It's a must read for every aspiring product manager." ~Magnus Billgren, CEO of Tolpagorni Product Management "How Lead in Product Management is for everyone who manages a product or drives important business decisions. Roman lays out the key challenges of product leadership and shows us ways of thoughtfully working with team members, stakeholders, partners, and the inevitable conflicts." ~Rich Mironov, CEO of Mironov Consulting and "Smokejumper" Head of Product

#### **The Innovation Mode** Pearson Education

We all tell stories. It's one of the most natural ways to share information, as old as the human race. This book is not about a new technique, but how to use something we already know in a new way. Stories help us gather and communicate user research, put a human face on analytic data, communicate design ideas, encourage collaboration and innovation, and create a sense of shared history and purpose. This book looks across the full spectrum of user experience design to discover when and how to use stories to improve our products. Whether you are a researcher, designer, analyst or manager, you will find ideas and techniques you can put to use in your practice.

#### **A Little Book of Requirements and User Stories** Coffee House Press

The First Guide to Scrum-Based Agile Product Management In *Agile Product Management with Scrum*, leading Scrum consultant Roman Pichler uses real-world examples to demonstrate how product owners can create successful products with Scrum. He describes a broad range of agile product management practices, including making agile product discovery work, taking advantage of emergent requirements, creating the minimal marketable product, leveraging early customer feedback, and working closely with the development team. Benefitting from Pichler's extensive experience, you'll learn how Scrum product ownership differs from traditional product management and how to avoid and overcome the common challenges that Scrum product owners face. Coverage includes Understanding the product owner's role: what product owners do, how they do it, and the surprising implications Envisioning the product: creating a compelling product vision to galvanize

and guide the team and stakeholders Grooming the product backlog: managing the product backlog effectively even for the most complex products Planning the release: bringing clarity to scheduling, budgeting, and functionality decisions Collaborating in sprint meetings: understanding the product owner's role in sprint meetings, including the dos and don'ts Transitioning into product ownership: succeeding as a product owner and establishing the role in the enterprise This book is an indispensable resource for anyone who works as a product owner, or expects to do so, as well as executives and coaches interested in establishing agile product management.

#### *For Anyone New to Agile* Pearson Education

**WHAT IS THIS BOOK ABOUT?** Learn about Data Flow Diagrams (DFDs), Context-level DFDs, and Rigorous Physical Process Models (RPPM), what they are, why they are important, and who can use them. Use Data Flow Diagrams to Visualize Workflows An old Chinese proverb says, "A picture is worth a thousand words." In the world of Information Technology (IT), we maintain that it may even be worth a whole lot more. For most people, it is difficult or impossible to envision a process flow, especially when someone else is describing it. Understanding current workflows, however, is critical to defining a future IT solution. Just as critical is understanding how data is created and consumed throughout the workflow. To truly understand problems inherent in a business process or workflow, you need to help the practitioners visualize what they do. Visualization lets them identify better ways of working that remove current restrictions. Data Flow Diagrams are phenomenal tools for visualization. Working with business experts, you can help them identify problems and inefficiencies they don't even know they have. These are not people problems; they are process problems.

Understanding when and how to create and use Data Flow Diagrams will help you discover and capture the requirements for improving the use of information technology. **Why Should You Take this Course?** In "Data Flow Diagrams - Simply Put!", you will learn the benefits of process visualization for the business community, for the one wearing the BA hat, for those tasked with developing the solution, and ultimately for the entire organization. You will also discover how DFDs are powerful tools for recognizing and eliminating two of the major problems that haunt IT projects, namely Scope Creep and Project Overruns caused by late project change requests. This book uses a concrete business scenario to present a simple, easy-to-learn approach for creating and using Data Flow Diagrams depicting workflow and data manipulation from interviews with Subject Matter Experts. You will learn how to create a Context-Level Data Flow Diagram and explode relevant process(es) to reveal the nitty-gritty detail (i.e., individual process and data specifications) that developers need to create IT solutions that the business community needs. This book answers the following questions: - What is a Data Flow Diagram (DFD)? - What is a Rigorous Physical Process Model? - What is a Context-Level DFD? - Why should I use Data Flow Diagrams? - What symbols can I use on each type of diagram? - How can I drill down into a process? - How can I show internal processes and flows that produce the results? - What does balancing a Data Flow Diagram mean and what is the business value? - What is the most efficient approach to balancing a DFD? - What business value do process specifications offer? - How can I express detailed specifications for processes and data? - What is "metadata" and why do you need it? - What does a fully balanced DFD look like? - What value does a DFD fragment provide? - Regardless of your job title or role, if you are tasked with communicating a workflow or functional requirements to others, this book is for you.

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#### **Use Four Simple Rules to Improve the Quality of Your IT Requirements** Sasquatch Books

This open access book constitutes the proceedings of the 19th International Conference on Agile Software Development, XP 2018, held in Porto, Portugal, in May 2018. XP is the premier agile software development conference combining research and practice, and XP 2018 provided a playful and informal environment to learn and trigger discussions around its main theme – make, inspect, adapt. The 21 papers presented in this volume were carefully reviewed and selected from 62 submissions. They were organized in topical sections named: agile requirements; agile testing; agile transformation; scaling agile; human-centric agile; and continuous experimentation.

#### **Agile Estimating and Planning** Springer

Provides recommendations and case studies to help with the implementation of Scrum.

#### **Business Analysis Techniques for Discovering User Stories, Features, and Gherkin (Given-When-Then) Scenarios** Happy About

Data is fundamental to the modern world. From economic development, to healthcare, to education and public policy, we rely on numbers to allocate resources and make crucial decisions. But because so much data fails to take into account gender, because it treats men as the default and women as atypical, bias and discrimination are baked into our systems. And women pay tremendous costs for this bias, in time, money, and often with their lives. Celebrated feminist advocate Caroline Criado Perez investigates shocking root cause of gender inequality and research in *Invisible Women*, diving into women's lives at home, the workplace, the public square, the doctor's office, and more. Built on hundreds of studies in the US, the UK, and around the world, and written with energy, wit, and sparkling intelligence, this is a groundbreaking, unforgettable exposé that will change the way you look at the world.

#### **Planning Extreme Programming** "O'Reilly Media, Inc."

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#### **Agile Software Requirements** Writing Effective User StoriesAs a User, I Can Express a Business Need in User Story Format To Get the IT Solution I Need

This is a comprehensive guide to Scrum for all (team members, managers, and executives). If you want to use Scrum to develop innovative products and services that delight your customers, this is the complete, single-source reference you've been searching for. This book provides a common understanding of Scrum, a shared vocabulary that can be used in applying it, and practical

knowledge for deriving maximum value from it.

[Requirements Elicitation Techniques – Simply Put! AMACOM](#)

Stories are a powerful means to promote cooperation and to teach many things and user stories, as we know, are no exception to this condition. The user stories allow you to create a link between the users or consumers and the product developers. This relationship is the first major step towards the creation and achievement of the pinnacle of admirable products, which positively influence the people who use or consume them and even change them to improve their lifestyle. This book is a compilation of many previous articles the authors published on their blogs and other specialized sites: Learned lessons (<http://www.lecciones-aprendidas.info/>) Gazafatonario (<http://www.gazafatonarioit.com/>) All this added to totally new material and numerous practical examples that enrich and extend the original work. In this, the anatomy of user stories is described in detail, the meaning of each of the INVEST attributes is intensely addressed and different patterns are treated to divide stories, with illustrative lessons. It also raises different ways of representing a user story, emphasizing that the most representative of this instrument are the conversations that it fosters. The underlying message is that the stories are to tell them, not to write them. In the final part, the authors present a Canvas to Talk about User Stories, a visual tool to document different aspects or dimensions of new or existing user stories in the product backlog. As the authors say in the foreword, they present some of the ways of doing things when it comes to user stories, it is a view, supported by their experience of many years not only in projects and development efforts with Agile and Lean thinking, but with other approaches and methods that at this point are considered traditionalists. In any case, the motivation for continuous improvement is present throughout the book and that is perhaps the only certainty left by its author

[A Pragmatic View Oxford University Press](#)

The best way to build great software that really meets your customers' needs is with User Stories. This book will help you write better stories, even if you've never written one before. This is a book for anyone working in an Agile, iterative project environment, where User Stories are the core requirement document. This book will help you understand the Agile framework and the key steps you'll be taking. The book is grouped into six major parts: - Understanding Agile, what you need to have ready to write good User Stories, User Story Writing, high-level User Story workshops and tools. Now normally when you buy a how-to book, you really like the diagrams and tools in the book, and you'd love to have electronic copies. Well, all 24 diagrams and images along with the 10 tools are available as a free download. At last, you can use them in your presentations and documents.

[Coaching Agile Abrams](#)

WHAT IS THIS BOOK ABOUT? Effective Requirements Reduce Project Failures Writing requirements is one of the core competencies for anyone in an organization responsible for defining future Information Technology (IT) applications. However, nearly every independently executed root-cause analysis of IT project problems and failures in the past half-century have identified "misunderstood or incomplete requirements" as the primary cause. This has made writing requirements the bane of many projects. The real problem is the subtle differences between "understanding" someone else's requirement and "sharing a common understanding" with the author. "How to Write Effective Requirements for IT – Simply Put!" gives you a set of 4 simple rules that will make your requirement statements more easily understood by all target audiences. The focus is to increase the "common understanding" between the author of a requirement and the solution providers (e.g., in-house or outsourced IT designers, developers, analysts, and vendors). The rules we present in this book will reduce the failure rate of projects suffering from poor requirements. Regardless of your job title or role, if you are tasked with communicating your future needs to others, this book is for you. How to Get the Most out of this Book? To maximize the learning effect, you will have optional, online

exercises to assess your understanding of each presented technique. Chapter titles prefaced with the phrase "Exercise" contain a link to a web-based exercise that we have prepared to give you an opportunity to try the presented technique yourself. These exercises are optional and they do not "test" your knowledge in the conventional sense. Their purpose is to demonstrate the use of the technique more real-life than our explanations can supply. You need Internet access to perform the exercises. We hope you enjoy them and that they make it easier for you to apply the techniques in real life. Specifically, this eWorkbook will give you techniques to: - Express business and stakeholder requirements in simple, complete sentences - Write requirements that focus on the business need - Test the relevance of each requirement to ensure that it is in scope for your project - Translate business needs and wants into requirements as the primary tool for defining a future solution and setting the stage for testing - Create and maintain a question file to reduce the impact of incorrect assumptions - Minimize the risk of scope creep caused by missed requirements - Ensure that your requirements can be easily understood by all target audiences - Confirm that each audience shares a mutual understanding of the requirements - Isolate and address ambiguous words and phrases in requirements. - Use our Peer Perception technique to find words and phrases that can lead to misunderstandings. - Reduce the ambiguity of a statement by adding context and using standard terms and phrases TOM AND ANGELA'S (the authors) STORY Like all good IT stories, theirs started on a project many years ago. Tom was the super techie, Angela the super SME. They fought their way through the 3-year development of a new policy maintenance system for an insurance company. They vehemently disagreed on many aspects, but in the process discovered a fundamental truth about IT projects. The business community (Angela) should decide on the business needs while the technical team's (Tom)'s job was to make the technology deliver what the business needed. Talk about a revolutionary idea! All that was left was learning how to communicate with each other without bloodshed to make the project a resounding success. Mission accomplished. They decided this epiphany was so important that the world needed to know about it. As a result, they made it their mission (and their passion) to share this ground-breaking concept with the rest of the world. To achieve that lofty goal, they married and began the mission that still defines their life. After over 30 years of living and working together 24x7x365, they are still wildly enthusiastic about helping the victims of technology learn how to ask for and get the digital (IT) solutions they need to do their jobs better. More importantly, they are more enthusiastically in love with each other than ever before!

[Writing Effective User Stories Penguin](#)

Thoroughly reviewed and eagerly anticipated by the agile community, User Stories Applied offers a requirements process that saves time, eliminates rework, and leads directly to better software. The best way to build software that meets users' needs is to begin with "user stories": simple, clear, brief descriptions of functionality that will be valuable to real users. In User Stories Applied, Mike Cohn provides you with a front-to-back blueprint for writing these user stories and weaving them into your development lifecycle. You'll learn what makes a great user story, and what makes a bad one. You'll discover practical ways to gather user stories, even when you can't speak with your users. Then, once you've compiled your user stories, Cohn shows how to organize them, prioritize them, and use them for planning, management, and testing. User role modeling: understanding what users have in common, and where they differ Gathering stories: user interviewing, questionnaires, observation, and workshops Working with managers, trainers, salespeople and other "proxies" Writing user stories for acceptance testing Using stories to prioritize, set schedules, and estimate release costs Includes end-of-chapter practice questions and exercises User Stories Applied will be invaluable to every software developer, tester, analyst, and manager working with any agile method: XP, Scrum... or even your own home-grown approach.

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