

AGILE: YOU KEEP USING THAT WORD...

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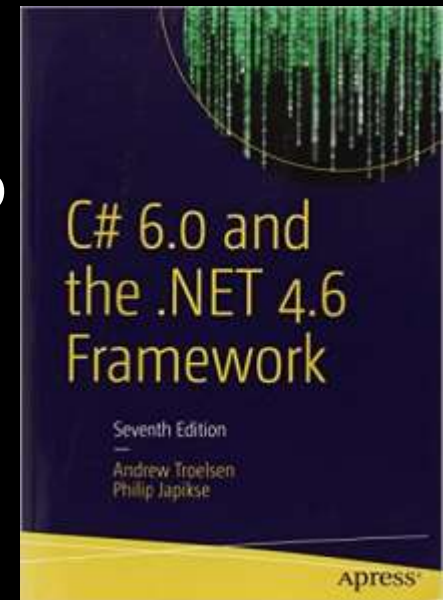
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AGILE MANIFESTO

We are uncovering better ways of developing software by doing it and helping others do it.
Through this work we have come to value:

Individuals and interactions over processes and tools

Working software over comprehensive documentation

Customer collaboration over contract negotiation

Responding to change over following a plan

That is, while there is value in the items on
the right, we value the items on the left more.

<http://agilemanifesto.org>

**YOU KEEP USING THAT
WORD**

**I DON'T THINK YOU KNOW WHAT
IT MEANS**

WHAT IS AGILE REALLY?

 Transparency

 Collaboration

 Rapid feedback

 Continuous improvement/Eliminating Waste

TRANSPARENCY



A close-up portrait of the Dalai Lama, showing his face and hands. He is wearing glasses and has his hands clasped in a prayer gesture. The background is dark, and the lighting is soft, highlighting his features.

**“A LACK OF TRANSPARENCY RESULTS IN
DISTRUST AND A DEEP SENSE OF INSECURITY.”**

DALAI LAMA

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BE BRUTALLY HONEST



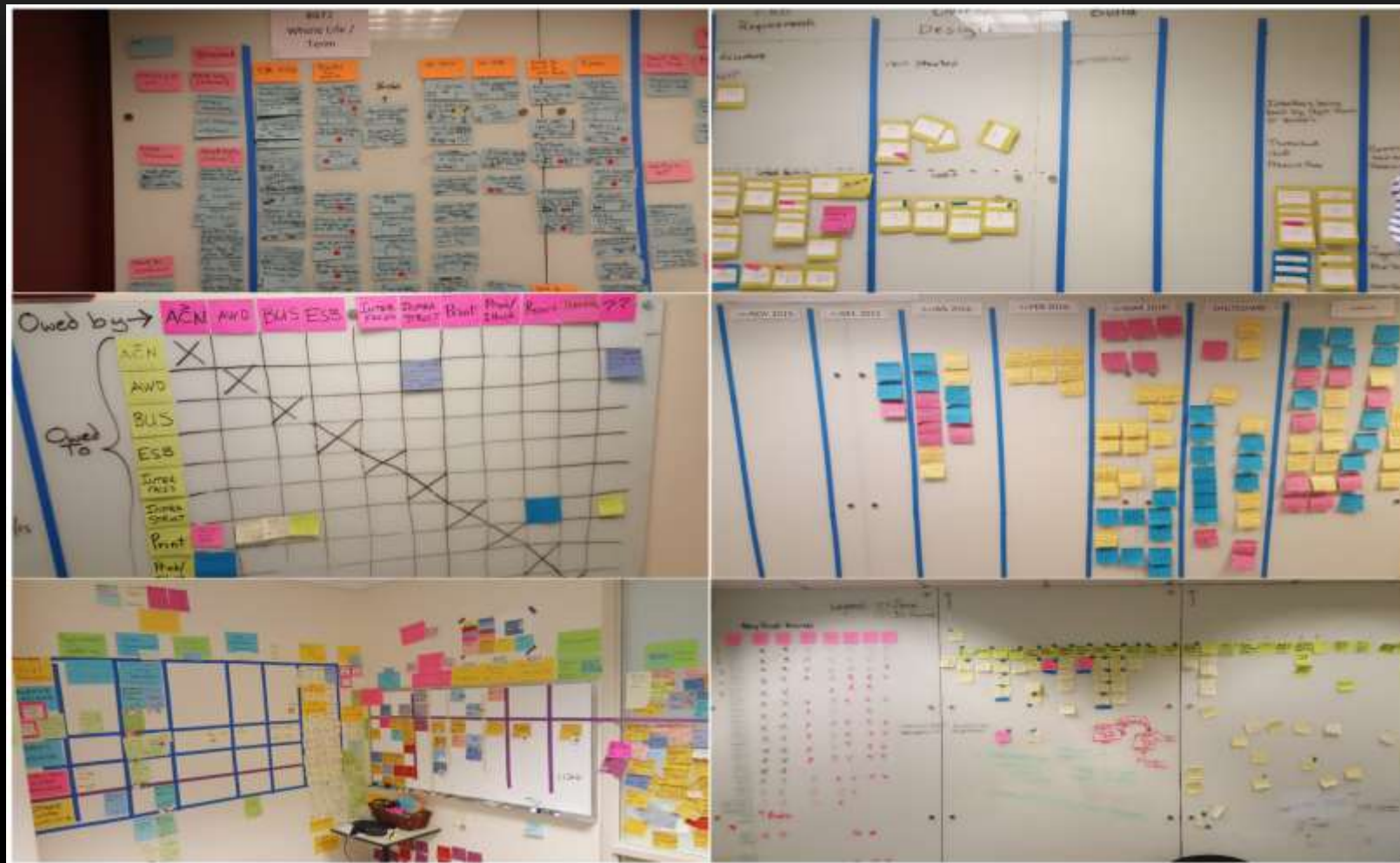
PROVIDE FULL DISCLOSURE WHENEVER POSSIBLE



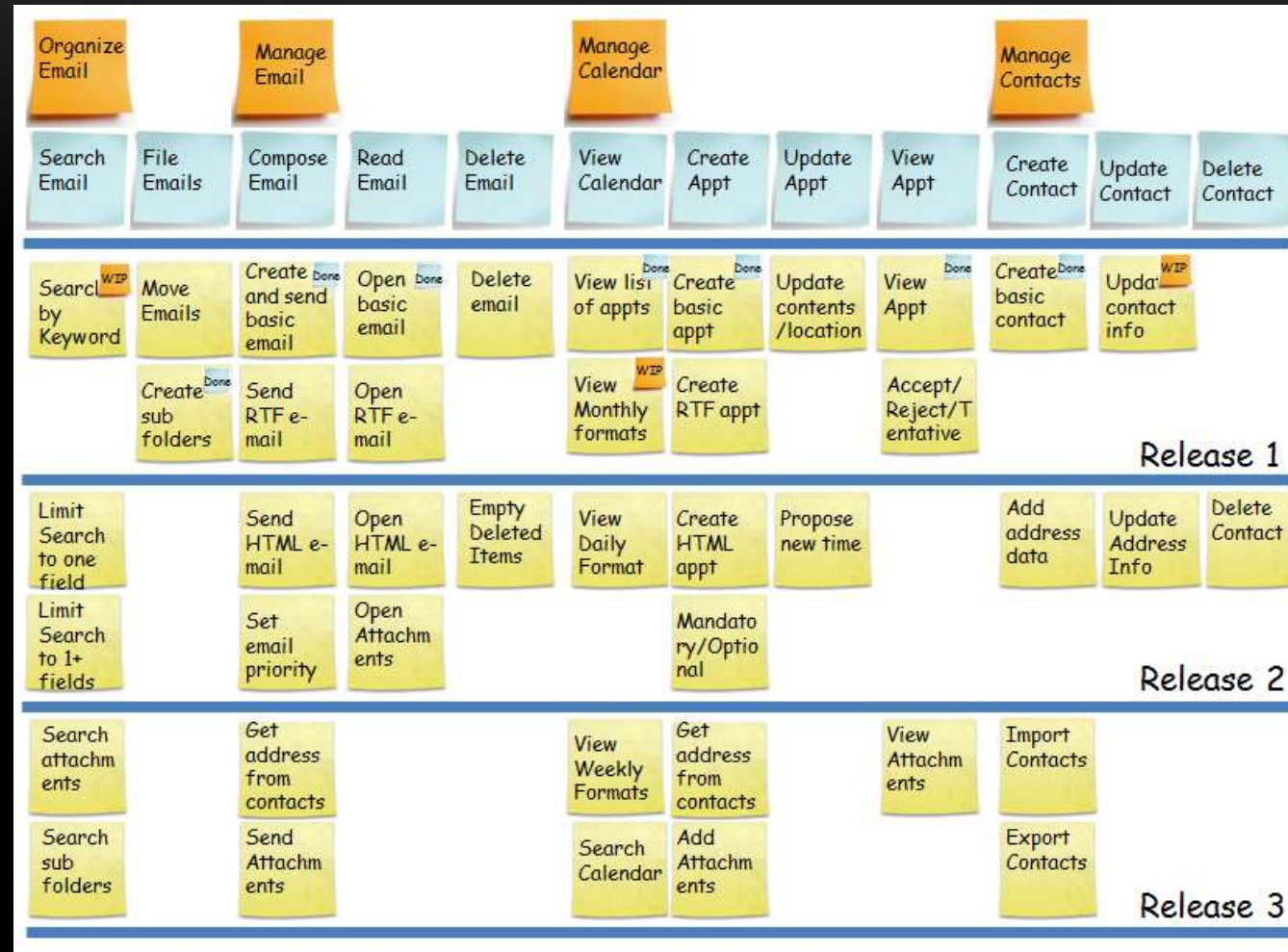
MAKE WORK, STATUS, RESULTS VISIBLE AT ALL TIMES



TRANSPARENCY THOUGH BOARDS

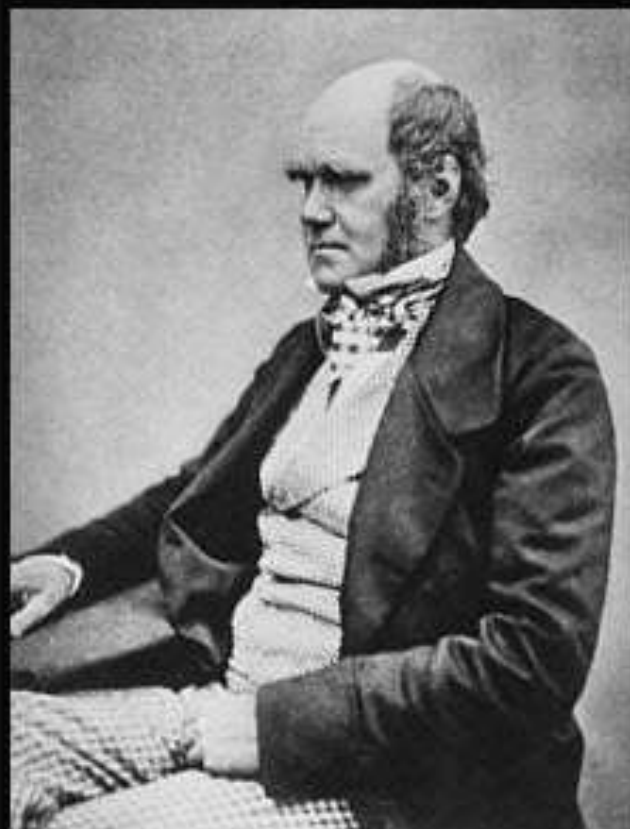


USER STORY MAPPING



COLLABORATION





In the long history of humankind (and animal kind, too) those who learned to collaborate and improvise most effectively have prevailed.

(Charles Darwin)

IT'S NOT HUMAN BATTLE CHESS



BE AGILE IN YOUR COMMUNICATIONS



DAILY STANDUP



PAIRING



<http://blogofpaul.merecomplexities.com/articles/165>

CROSS TRAINING IS KEY



GO BEHIND ENEMY LINES



GET RID OF THE TABLE



RAPID FEEDBACK



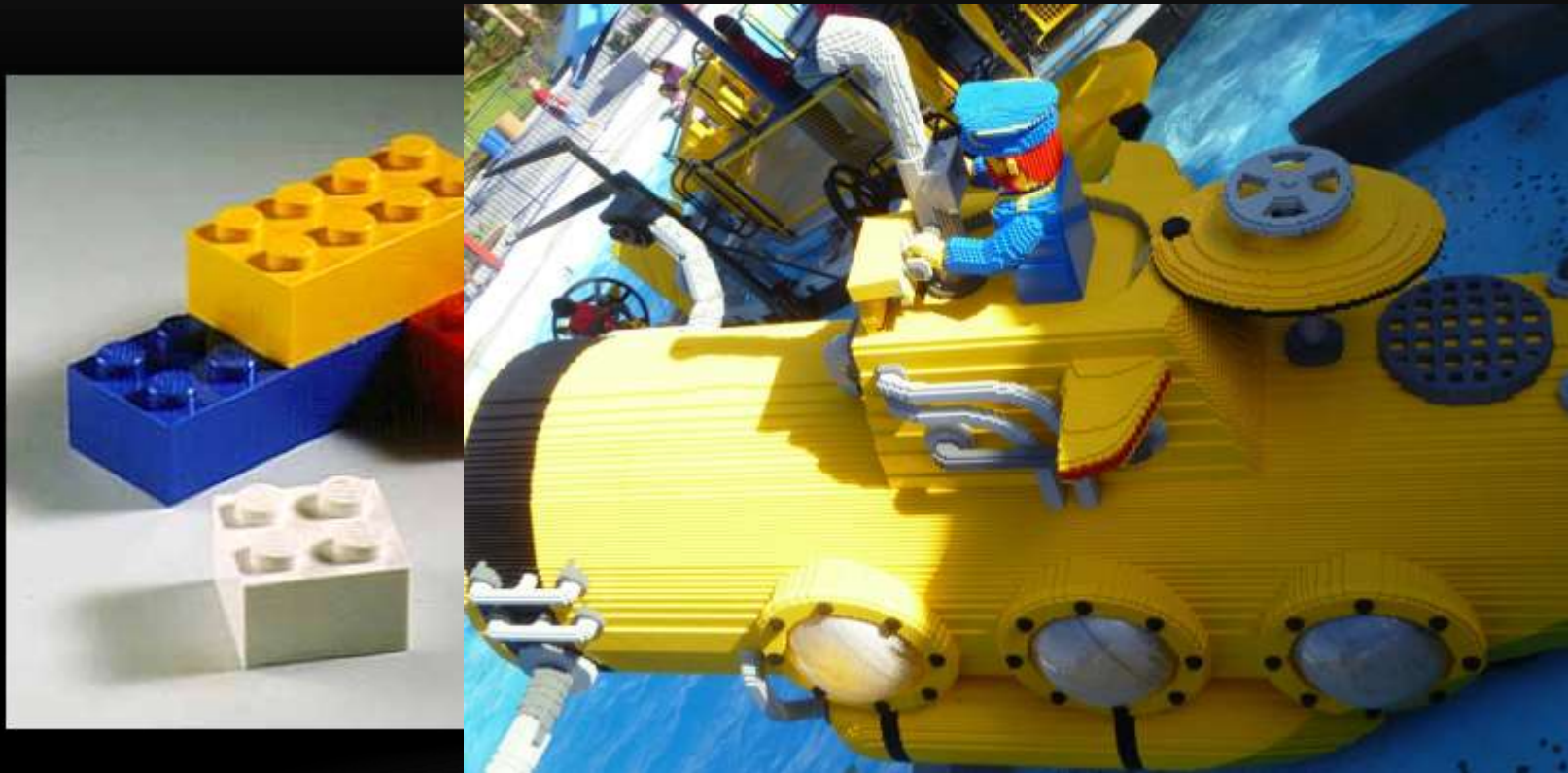


There are no failures - only
feedback.

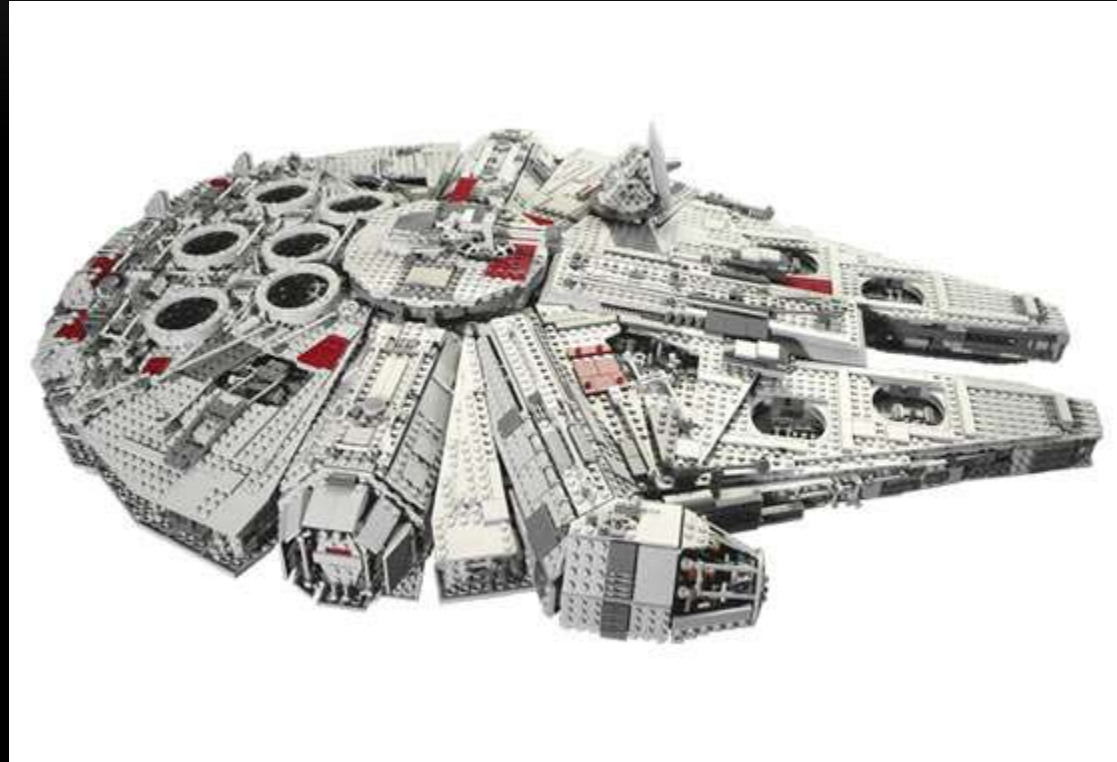
— *Richard Bandler* —



TEST DRIVEN DEVELOPMENT



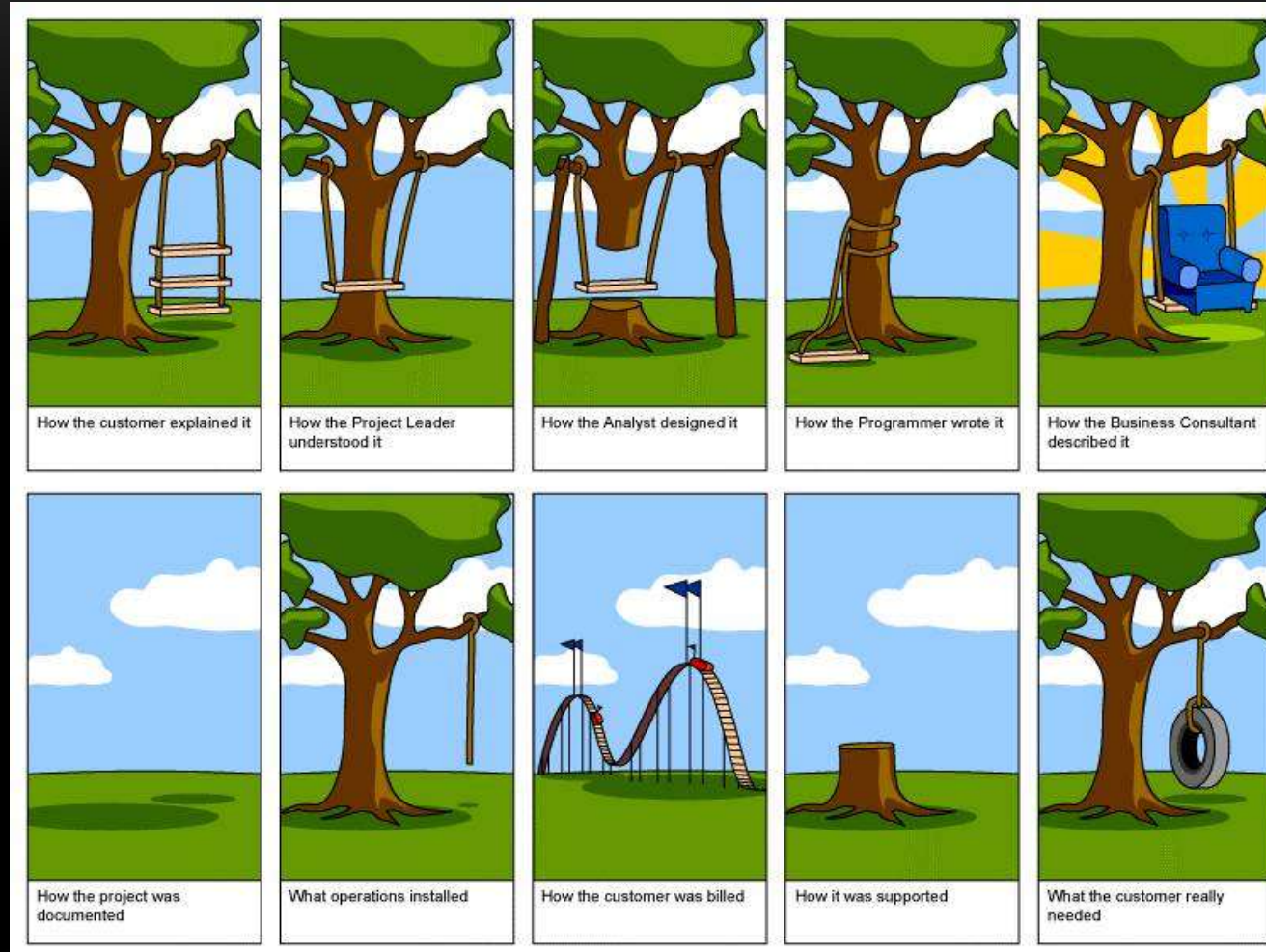
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DEVELOPERS – UNIT TESTING/CONTINUOUS INTEGRATION



PRODUCT TEAM - ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA



QA - IN-SPRINT TESTING



STAKEHOLDERS, USERS - SPRINT REVIEW



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CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT





To improve is to change;
to be perfect is to change often.

-Winston Churchill

FOCUS ON SIMPLICITY



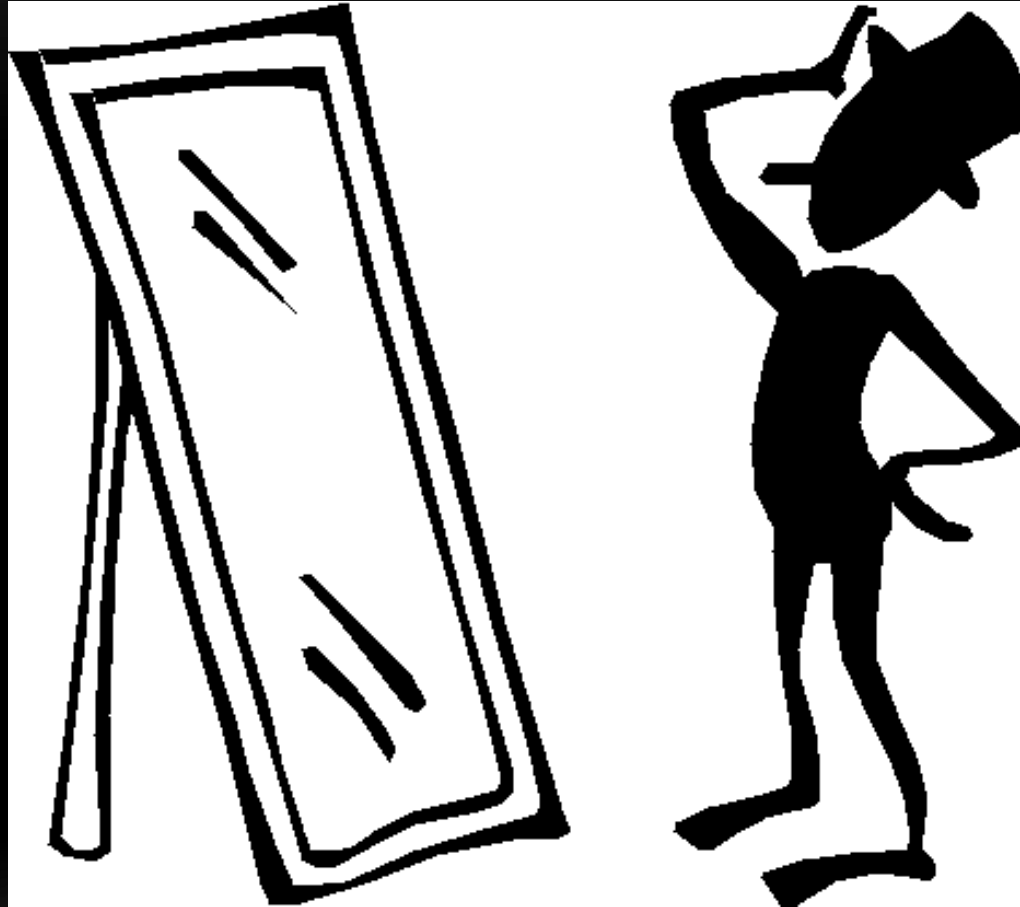
CAN AN 8 YEAR OLD UNDERSTAND IT?



ELIMINATE WASTE



HAVE REGULAR RETROSPECTIVES



MAKING THE TRANSITION



CHANGE HAPPENS



IT CAN BE MADDENING




SO WHAT SHOULD YOU DO?



HAVE REALISTIC EXPECTATIONS

 Be patient. Doing it right takes time. It's not a fad diet.

 Don't be overzealous.

 Plan for the worst, hope for the best.

 Don't underestimate the politics.

 Change your job, or change your job.

IT'S A JOURNEY, NOT A DESTINATION



EDWARD DOLLARD
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YOU NEED TO “BE” AGILE, NOT “DO” AGILE



A sailboat is shown on the ocean at sunset. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a golden glow across the sky and reflecting on the water. The sailboat's sails are dark, and the overall scene is serene and contemplative. The quote is overlaid in a stylized, outlined font.

The pessimist complains about the wind,
The optimist expects it to change,
The realist adjusts the sails.

- William Arthur Ward



DON'T FORCE IT



BEWARE THE LATEST HOTNESS



SURVIVE THE WATERFALL



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