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# Agile Values and Principles

The granddaddy of them all, there is no self-respecting agile book that doesn't reference these in some way.

The original is at http://agilemanifesto.org and is best read there. Following list is maintained for my convenience.

# Values

The Values are:

- Individuals and interactions over processes and tools
- Working software over comprehensive documentation
- Customer collaboration over contract negotiation
- Responding to change over following a plan

# Principles

The Principles are:

- Our highest priority is to satisfy the customer through early and continuous delivery of valuable software.
- Welcome changing requirements, even late in development. Agile processes harness change for the customer's competitive advantage.
- Deliver working software frequently, from a couple of weeks to a couple of months, with a preference to the shorter timescale.
- Business people and developers must work together daily throughout the project.
- Build projects around motivated individuals. Give them the environment and support they need, and trust them to get the job done.
- The most efficient and effective method of conveying information to and within a development team is face-to-face conversation.
- Working software is the primary measure of progress.
- Agile processes promote sustainable development. The sponsors, developers, and users should be able to maintain a constant pace indefinitely.
- Continuous attention to technical excellence and good design enhances agility.
- Simplicity–the art of maximizing the amount of work not done–is essential.
- The best architectures, requirements, and designs emerge from self-organizing teams.
- At regular intervals, the team reflects on how to become more effective, then tunes and adjusts its behavior accordingly.

# Want to Know More?

- Agile Manifesto
- Principles Behind the Manifesto
- Authors of the Manifesto
- History of the Manifesto
- Book Understanding Agile Values & Principles. An Examination of the Agile Manifesto - By Scott Duncan]]

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