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Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

As I work with people I find there are often situations where the same kind of questions come up. Rather than invent answers every time, here are some standard ideas, based on experience that has worked in the past, to get you started.

Warning

I wrote most of these because they came up more than once. Some of the ideas / responses are basic, especially if you've been doing Agile / Scrum for some time. Note - these are just ideas / approaches. If

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