Definition of done.

What is done when it is done?



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- ▶ Rooms, Civilization and (yes, admittedly) Clash of Clans
- Humour black, coffee with milk

Is this the real life? Is this just fantasy?

It is time to talk about done.

"Give me six hours to chop down a tree and I will spend the first four sharpening the axe."

— Abraham Lincoln

WorkshopI

Definition of Done. For real.

Write down (10 min)

- 1. What is your understanding of done.
- 2. From your perspective what is the game like in mid December?
- 3. What does the game include when it is presented in the demo day?

▶ Remember that you only have 5 more weeks to go.

Team discussion (10 min)

- Share your results.
- Address the differences.
- Find the middle ground you can all agree.

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Write down the definition of done

- ▶ Be specific!
 - ▶ How many levels? How many minutes? How long path, how large area?
 - ▶ How many collectibles, weapons, options?
 - ▶ How many characters? What level of detail?
 - What does the character have to be able to do?
 - How many minutes of screenplay and music?
 - What is mandatory, what is optional?

WorkshopII

What needs to be done before it is done?

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Set up (10 minutes)

- ▶ The end product today is a specific timeframe. Decide:
 - do you want to first use post-its?
 - do you want to go straight to some digital format and which is it?
- ▶ Is there a plan somewhere already?
 - ▶ Take a look at it and decide will you take it as the basis of the exercise or start from scratch.
 - ▶ Is the plan in line with the definition of done you just made?

Write down (20 minutes)

- ▶ Take a look at the definition of done from your role's point of view.
- ▶ Make a list of all the missing pieces, all the things that you need to do to reach the finish line.
- Add an estimate how much time each task will approximately take.
- Chop down the tasks to smaller pieces (maximum of one day's work).
- Be as specific as you can.

Team discussion (20 min)

- ▶ Talk together whether the amount of work is doable within the time frame of 5 weeks.
- Divide tasks between people to balance the workload. Remove duplicates.
- Use either post-its or Trello to start making the list of tasks visible.
- Refine the plan as needed.

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Make a proper plan.

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Work together (50 minutes)

- Use either post-its or Trello or some other way to visualise your time frame.
- Work backwards from the deadline.
 - What needs to be done each week?
 - ▶ Then refine the plan to every (second) day.
 - ▶ Remember to add buffer because something unexpected will come up.
- Find dependencies and take them into consideration in the plan.

