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The manager’s must-have guide to excelling in all aspects of the job Mind Tools for Managers helps new and experienced leaders develop the skills they need to be more effective in everything they do. It brings together the 100 most important leadership skills—as voted for by 15,000 managers and professionals worldwide—into a single volume, providing an easy-access solutions manual for people wanting to be the best manager they can be. Each chapter details a related group of skills, providing links to additional resources as needed, plus the tools you need to put ideas into practice. Read beginning-to-end, this guide provides a crash course on the essential skills of any effective manager; used as a reference, its clear organization allows you to find the solution you need quickly and easily. Success in a leadership position comes from results, and results come from the effective coordination of often competing needs: your organization, your client, your team, and your projects. These all demand time, attention, and energy, and keeping everything running smoothly while making the important decisions is a lot to handle. This book shows you how to manage it all, and manage it well, with practical wisdom and expert guidance. Build your ideal team and keep them motivated Make better decisions and boost your strategy game Manage both time and stress to get more done with less Master effective communication, facilitate innovation, and much more Managers wear many hats and often operate under a tremendously diverse set of job duties. Delegation, prioritization, strategy, decision making, communication, problem solving, creativity, time management, project management and stress management are all part of your domain. Mind Tools for Managers helps you take control and get the best out of your team, your time, and yourself.

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In Large-Scale Scrum , Craig Larman and Bas Vodde offer the most direct, concise, actionable guide to reaping the full benefits of agile in distributed, global enterprises. Larman and Vodde have distilled their immense experience helping geographically distributed development organizations move to agile. Going beyond their previous books, they offer today's fastest, most focused guidance: "broad backs" advice and field-proven best practices for achieving value fast, and achieving even more value as you move forward. Targeted to enterprise project participants and stakeholders, Large-Scale Scrum offers straight-to-the-point insights for scaling Scrum across the entire project lifecycle, from sprint planning to retrospective. Larman and Vodde help you. Implement proven Scrum frameworks for large-scale developments Scale requirements, planning, and product management Scale design and architecture Effectively manage defects and interruptions Integrate Scrum into multisite and offshore projects Choose the right adoption strategies and organizational designs This will be the go-to resource for enterprise stakeholders at all levels: everyone who wants to maximize the value of Scrum in large, complex projects

"Companies have been implementing large agile projects for a number of years, but the 'stigma' of 'agile only works for small projects' continues to be a frequent barrier for newcomers and a rallying cry for agile critics. What has been missing from the agile literature is a solid, practical book on the specifics of developing large projects in an agile way. Dean Leffingwell's book Scaling Software Agility fills this gap admirably. It offers a practical guide to large project issues such as architecture, requirements development, multi-level release planning, and team organization. Leffingwell's book is a necessary guide for large projects and large organizations making the transition to agile development." —Jim Highsmith, director, Agile Practice, Cutter Consortium, author of Agile Project Management "There's a tension between building software fast and delivering software that lasts, between being ultra-responsive to changes in the market and maintaining a degree of stability. In his latest work, Scaling Software Agility, Dean Leffingwell shows how to achieve a pragmatic balance among these forces. Leffingwell's observations of the problem, his advice on the solution, and his description of the resulting best practices come from experience: he's been there, done that, and has seen what's worked." —Grady Booch, IBM Fellow Agile development practices, while still controversial in some circles, offer undeniable benefits: faster time to market, better responsiveness to changing customer requirements, and higher quality. However, agile practices have been defined and recommended primarily to small teams. In Scaling Software Agility, Dean Leffingwell describes how agile methods can be applied to enterprise-class development. Part I provides an overview of the most common and effective agile methods. Part II describes seven best practices of agility that natively scale to the enterprise level. Part III describes an additional set of seven organizational capabilities that companies can master to achieve the full benefits of software agility on an enterprise scale. This book is invaluable to software developers, testers and QA personnel, managers and team leads, as well as to executives of software organizations whose objective is to increase the quality and productivity of the software development process but who are faced with all the challenges of developing software on an enterprise scale.

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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. Benefiting 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.

"Offers a requirements process that saves time, eliminates rework, and leads directly to better software. A great 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. ... [the author] 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, [the author] shows how to organize them, prioritize them, and use them for planning, management, and testing"--Back cover.

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Product Owner - Your job Just Got Easier Introduction Thank you and congratulations on taking this class, "Agile Product Management - Product Manager/Scrum Product Owner." When you have taken this class, you will understand the similarities and differences between traditional Product Management and Scrum Product Ownership. In order to develop a product from original concept to working model, many factors must be taken into consideration. Clients and stakeholders might have a clear idea of what they want and when they want it. In such cases, it is the product owner's responsibility to clarify all of the details and enable the development team to generate the final product as quickly and inexpensively as possible. If the client and stakeholders are not as certain about what it is that they want, the product owner has the added responsibilities of helping them to figure out what they want and articulating this to the developers. In each segment of development project the roles and responsibilities of product managers and product owners differ substantially. In each class, we will examine a component of product development and identify the different ways that these two roles approach them. In this class you will learn: An overview of the two product development methods How to manage requirements as a product owner as opposed to a traditional product manager How to plan a project as a product owner versus a traditional product manager Common methods for budgeting a project as a product owner in your team or business Now, let us move forward and let me help you to learn the differences between a traditional product manager and a scrum product owner. Introduction Thank you and congratulations on taking this class, "User Stories: How to capture, and manage requirements for Agile Product Management and Business Analysis with Scrum." In this class, you will be given proven methods to create, maintain and manage your requirements using user stories as part of an agile scrum team. I know you will get value from this class as it gives you a full introduction to the concept of agile user stories for managing product requirements. I then walk you step by step through everything involved in managing requirements using user stories including writing, combining and splitting complex user stories. Following this, I give you a complete overview of epics and themes and how they can be used to capture and group complex requirements in any team or business. Along the way, I give you plenty of examples and give you best practices for working with user stories within agile scrum. In this class, you will learn: What User Stories are and why they are so powerful for capturing requirements in complex projects - Feel confident in writing user stories for any project - Understand what a Requirements Spec is and Why they are less flexible than a Product Backlog built with Agile User Stories - Explain what The Three Rs rule, Acceptance Criteria, the INVEST Principle, the Three Cs principle and Edge Cases are and how they will make you a better user story writer or agile practitioner - Understand how and when to split and amalgamate stories - Learn techniques to help you to split user stories when working in the real world - Understand the difference between Epics and Themes and when each is used - Learn who is responsible for writing user stories in agile and scrum So let's get started and let me teach you how to improve product backlog management. Introduction Thank you and congratulations on taking this class, "The 7 Habits of Highly Effective Agile Product Managers." In this class, you will be given a complete overview of what makes the best agile product managers successful. This will allow you to use their successes to help you to build great products in any team or business. In this class, I give you a concise overview of agile product management, along with their day to day tasks and challenges. I then give you an overview of 7 well known habits of great agile product managers so you can use them to be successful in your team or business. In this class, you will learn: - A brief recap of agile and scrum principles - What is an agile product manager - What are the duties of an agile product manager - How to work with a scrum team to get the best product possible - How to boost the productivity in any team - A complete overview of the 7 habits of high performing product managers including what to do and what not to do So let us get started right away, so you can learn The 7 skills of Highly Effective Agile Product Managers! Scroll Up To The Top Of The Page And Click The Orange "Buy Now" or "Read For Free" Icon On The Right Side!"

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Discover the Whole Story, Build the Right Product
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A Guide for Product Managers, Business Analysts, and Entrepreneurs

User story mapping is a valuable tool for software development, once you understand why and how to use it. This insightful book examines how this often misunderstood technique can help your team stay focused on users and their needs without getting lost in the enthusiasm for individual product features. Author Jeff Patton shows you how changeable story maps enable your team to hold better conversations about the product they're developing together. Your team will learn to come away with a shared understanding of what you're attempting to build and why. Get a high-level view of story mapping, with an exercise to learn key concepts quickly Understand how stories really work, and how they come to life in Agile and Lean projects Dive into a story's lifecycle, starting with opportunities and moving deeper into discovery Prepare your stories, pay attention while they're built, and learn from those you convert to working software

In many organizations, management is the biggest obstacle to successful Agile development. Unfortunately, reliable guidance on Agile management has been scarce indeed. Now, leading Agile manager Jurgen Appelo fills that gap, introducing a realistic approach to leading, managing, and growing your Agile team or organization. Writing for current managers and developers moving into management, Appelo shares insights that are grounded in modern complex systems theory, reflecting the intense complexity of modern software development. Appelo's Management 3.0 model recognizes that today's organizations are living, networked systems; and that management is primarily about people and relationships. Management 3.0 doesn't offer mere checklists or prescriptions to follow slavishly; rather, it deepens your understanding of how organizations and Agile teams work and gives you tools to solve your own problems. Drawing on his extensive experience as an Agile manager, the author identifies the most important practices of Agile management and helps you improve each of them. Coverage includes • Getting beyond "Management 1.0" control and "Management 2.0" fads • Understanding how complexity affects your organization • Keeping your people active, creative, innovative, and motivated • Giving teams the care and authority they need to grow on their own • Defining boundaries so teams can succeed in alignment with business goals • Sowing the seeds for a culture of software craftsmanship • Crafting an organizational network that promotes success • Implementing continuous improvement that actually works Thoroughly pragmatic—and never trendy—Jurgen Appelo's Management 3.0 helps you bring greater agility to any software organization, team, or project.

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The Art of Agile Product Ownership
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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, and 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.

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"Nobody asked you to show up." Every experienced product manager has heard some version of those words at some point in their career. Think about a company. Engineers build the product. Designers make sure it has a great user experience and looks good. Marketing makes sure customers know about the product. Sales get potential customers to open their wallets to buy the product. What more does a company need? What does a product manager do? Based upon Product School's curriculum, which has helped thousands of students become great product managers, The Product Book answers that question. Filled with practical advice, best practices, and expert tips, this book is here to help you succeed!

"We need better approaches to understanding and managing software requirements, and Dean provides them in this book. He draws ideas from three very useful intellectual pools: classical management practices, Agile methods, and lean product development. By combining the strengths of these three approaches, he has produced something that works better than any one in isolation." — From the Foreword by Don Reinertsen, President of Reinertsen & Associates, author of Managing the Design Factory; and leading expert on rapid product development Effective requirements discovery and analysis is a critical best practice for serious application development. Until now, however, requirements and Agile methods have rarely coexisted peacefully. For many enterprises considering Agile approaches, the absence of effective and scalable Agile requirements processes has been a showstopper for Agile adoption. In Agile Software Requirements, Dean Leffingwell shows exactly how to create effective requirements in Agile environments. Part I presents the "big picture" of Agile requirements in the enterprise, and describes an overall process model for Agile requirements at the project team, program, and portfolio levels Part II describes a simple and lightweight, yet comprehensive model that Agile project teams can use to manage requirements Part III shows how to develop Agile requirements for complex systems that require the cooperation of multiple teams Part IV guides enterprises in developing Agile requirements for ever-larger "systems of systems," application suites, and product portfolios This book will help you leverage the benefits of Agile without sacrificing the value of effective requirements discovery and analysis. You'll find proven solutions you can apply right now – whether you're a software developer or tester, executive, project/program manager, architect, or team leader.