Backlog Refinement: 8 ways to split a story

"A story is small enough when the team can expect to complete at least 10 similarly sized items during the sprint. Anything bigger is usually TFB"*

Personae

Who will use this? Why do they want to use it? Derive features from purpose.

How-to-Demo

Each step in the workflow becomes a card

Acceptance Criteria

How do you know it works correctly?

And, Or, etc.

"Search and Display" becomes "Search" and "Display."

Outcome

Start with the goal in mind. Challenge yourself. Eliminate the unnecessary.

SCRUD Operations

Search – Create – Read Update – Delete

Errors handling, unhappy cases

Watch out for these frequent blind spots.

Spike

Take two days to create & demo a prototype, then write stories

Non-functionals

Some aspects, like UI, may require several tries. Improve, test, repeat.

* T = Too, B = Big. F is For you to Figure out.

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