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<u>The Software Requirements Memory Jogger:</u>
A Pocket Guide to Help Software and Business Teams Develop & Manage Rqts

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Requirements by Collaboration: Workshops for Defining Needs

Domains & Tasks			
Domain 1: Needs Assessment		45-51	241-245
1. Define or review a business problem or opportunity using problem and	27-32	45-51	15,23-25
opportunity analysis techniques in order to develop a solution scope			
statement and/or to provide input to create a business case.			
2. Collect and analyze information from a variety of sources using		63-75	
valuation tools and techniques to contribute to determining the value			
proposition of the initiative.			
3. Collaborate in the development of project goals and objectives by	27-32	69-75	
providing clarification of business needs and solution scope in order to			
align the product with the organization's goals and objectives.			
4. Identify stakeholders by reviewing goals, objectives, and requirements	49-65	63-67	83-107
in order that the appropriate parties are represented, informed and			
involved.			
5. Determine stakeholder values regarding the product using elicitation		63-75	
techniques in order to provide a baseline for prioritizing requirements.			
Domain 2: Planning			
1. Review the business case, and the project goals and objectives, in		77-81	
order to provide context for business analysis activities.			
2. Define strategy for requirements traceability using traceability tools	291-294	90-91, 178-9	
and techniques in order to establish the level of traceability necessary to			
monitor and validate the requirements.			
3. Develop requirements management plan by identifying stakeholders,	21-26,103-	182-185	
roles and responsibilities, communication protocols, and methods for	108		
eliciting, analyzing, documenting, managing, and approving requirements			
in order to establish a roadmap for delivering the expected solution.			
4. Select methods for requirements change control by identifying	282-288		
channels for communicating requests and processes for managing changes			
in order to establish standard protocols for incorporation into the change			
management plan.			
5. Select methods for document control by using documentation	28-294		
management tools and techniques in order to establish a standard for			
requirements traceability and versioning.			

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6. Define business metrics and acceptance criteria by collaborating with	261-275	125, 211,	
stakeholders for use in evaluating when the solution meets the		231,236,242	
requirements.			
Domain 3: Analysis		3-44	67-163
Elicit or identify requirements using individual and group elicitation	64-108	109-178,	134-162,279-
techniques in order to discover and capture requirements with supporting		217,228	286
details (e.g., origin and rationale).			
2. Analyze, decompose, and elaborate requirements using techniques	109-217	109-178, 318	27-45,134-
such as dependency analysis, interface analysis, and data and process		322	162
modeling in order to collaboratively uncover and clarify product options			
and capabilities.			
3. Evaluate product options and capabilities by using decision-making and	218-230	109-178	119-129
valuation techniques in order to determine which requirements are			,279-280
accepted, deferred, or rejected.			
4. Allocate accepted or deferred requirements by balancing scope	286	77-81,237-9	
schedule, budget, and resource constraints with the value proposition			
using prioritization, dependency analysis, and decision-making tools and			
techniques in order to create a requirements baseline.			
5. Obtain sign-off on requirements baseline using decision-making			119-129,279
techniques in order to facilitate stakeholder consensus and achieve			280
stakeholder approval.			
6. Write requirements specifications using process (such as use cases,	231-260	212-3,219,-	
user stories), data, and interface details in order to communicate		225,236,241,	
requirements that are measurable and actionable (that is, suitable for		244,246-50	
development).			
7. Validate requirements using tools and techniques such as	6-7,261-280	123-125,241	
documentation review, prototypes, demos, and other validation methods			
in order to ensure requirements are complete, accurate and aligned with			
goals, objectives, and value proposition.			
8. Elaborate and specify detailed metrics and acceptance criteria using	274-280	211,221,231,	
measurement tools and techniques for use in evaluating whether the		236,242	
solution meets requirements.			
Domain 4: Traceability and Monitoring	281-294		
	9-11,291-		
1. Track requirements using a traceability artifact or tools, capturing the	294		
requirements' status, sources and relationships (including dependencies),			
in order to provide evidence that the requirements are delivered as stated.			
2. Monitor requirements throughout their lifecycles using a traceability	288-294		
artifact or tool in order to ensure the appropriate supporting requirements			
artifacts (such as models, documentation, and test cases) are produced,			
reviewed and approved at each point in the lifecycle.			
3. Update a requirement's status as it moves through its lifecycle states	288-294		
closure.			
 artifact or tool in order to ensure the appropriate supporting requirements artifacts (such as models, documentation, and test cases) are produced, reviewed and approved at each point in the lifecycle. 3. Update a requirement's status as it moves through its lifecycle states by communicating with appropriate stakeholders and recording changes in the traceability artifact or tool in order to track requirements towards 			

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4. Communicate requirements status to project manager and other	35-42,288-		
stakeholders using communication methods in order to keep them	294		
informed of requirements issues, conflicts, changes, risks, and overall			
status.			
5. Manage changes to requirements by assessing impacts, dependencies,	281-288		
and risks in accordance with the change control plan, and comparing to the			
requirements baseline in order to maintain the integrity of the			
requirements and associated artifacts.			
Domain 5: Evaluation			
1. Validate the solution's test results, reports, and other test evidence	269-273	211,221,231,	
against the requirements acceptance criteria in order to determine		236,242	
whether the solution satisfies the requirements.			
2. Analyze and communicate the solution's identified gaps and deltas	261-280		
using quality assurance tools and methods in order to enable stakeholders			
to resolve discrepancies between solution scope, requirements, and			
developed solution.			
3. Obtain stakeholder sign-off on the developed solution using decision-			119-129,279-
making techniques in order to proceed with deployment.			280
4. Evaluate the deployed solution using valuation techniques in order to	6-7,261-280	74-75	
determine how well the solution meets business case and value			
proposition.			

Knowledge and Skills			
Analytic tools and techniques (for example, decomposition, progressive	36-230	59-60,74,226	
elaboration, dependency analysis, gap analysis, impact analysis, risk analysis			
and assessment)			
Backlog management	282-288	60-61	
Business rule analysis tools and techniques (for example, decision table,	137-142,	100-101,157-	38-39,42,
decision tree, rule catalog)	204-215	162, 224-225	140,156
Change control tools and techniques	281-294		
Collaboration tools and techniques	64-90,100-	83-86,109-	172-173
·	102	178	
Communication skills, techniques, and tools (for example, technical writing,			170-171
business writing, working with virtual teams, verbal and nonverbal			
communication)			
Conflict management and resolution tools and techniques			212-215
Contingency planning			
Data analysis tools and techniques (for example, data model, data dictionary,	183-204	98-99,149-	39,40,43
state diagram)		156,219-	
		222,232,246	
Decision making tools and techniques (for example, Delphi technique, multi-	221-227		119-129,279-
voting, consensus building, decision table, decision tree, options analysis)			280
Development methodologies (for example, agile, interative, incremental, waterfall)	295-308		

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Documentation management tools and techniques		197-202	
Elements of a requirements management plan	281-294		
Elicitation tools and techniques (for example, brainstorming, focus groups, interviewing techniques, workshop facilitation, observation, document analysis, research, surveys and questionnaires)	64-102	83-86,109- 178, 217,228	
Estimating tools and techniques (for example, estimation poker, quadrant			
analysis, averaging)			
Facilitation tools and techniques	69-77	228	Entire book
Interface analysis (for example, prototyping, storyboarding, interoperability)	77-81,127- 131,177- 182,276- 279	94-95,135- 139,216,241, 243	39,41,44
Leadership principles and skills			
Lessons learned and retrospectives	309- 310,336- 337		219-220,283- 284
Measurement tools and techniques (for example, Planguage, service level agreement)	259- 260,329334	211,231,236, 242	
Negotiation tools and techniques			279-280
Organization assessment (for example, organizational readiness)	118-121	215,217	
Planning tools and techniques (for example, strategic and tactical)		77-81,115- 119,237-239	
Political and cultural awareness			115
Prioritization tools and techniques (for example, multi-voting, weighted criteria, MoSCoW)	218-230	69-75	
Problem solving and opportunity identification tools and techniques (for example, brainstorming, value engineering, scenario analysis, user journey maps)		251	
Process analysis tools and techniques (for example, user stories, use cases, process model, data flow diagrams, dependency graphs, events)	122- 126,132- 136,150- 176	96-97,141- 147,214,215, 226- 227,230,244- 249,251	
Project methodologies (such as waterfall, agile, iterative, lean) and how they impact requirements and business analysis practices	295-306	187-191	
Quality management (statistical management)			
Reporting tools and techniques			
Requirements traceability tools and techniques	219-294		
Requirements types (for example, business, stakeholder, solution, transition, project, and quality)	7-12,329- 334	58-59,89- 106	7-9,22-27
Root cause analysis (for example, Ishikawa/fishbone, 5 Whys) Scheduling tools and techniques			69
Stakeholder analysis (for example, personas, role definition [RACI], job analysis, skills assessment) Copyright EBG Consulting, 2014	49-64,86- 90,144-150	63-67,71- 72,92-93, 129-133	37-38,42- 43,83-107
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Systems thinking			
Validation tools and techniques (for example, acceptance criteria [for example,	261-280	211,221,231	
given-when-then] User Acceptance Testing)		242,	194-198
Valuation tools and techniques (for example, cost-benefit analysis, force field	221-224	251	209
analysis, Kano model, net promoter score, purpose alignment model, SWOT			
Verification methods and techniques (for example, inspection, test, walk-	263-		
through, desk checking, peer review)	280,325-		
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Version control tools and techniques	281-288		