
Backlog Quality Review

Acme Corp

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

We reviewed 2 stories in this engagement. The backlog scores 40% on average, and 0.0% of stories meet the 70% quality gate. The weakest INVEST dimension is small (2 stories below threshold).

METHODOLOGY

Every story was evaluated against the six INVEST dimensions - Independent, Negotiable, Valuable, Estimable, Small, and Testable - by the Vindex scoring engine. Scores are shown as percentages of the maximum quality score. Story excerpts may contain de-identification placeholders such as [NAME] or [DATE]: personal identifiers are removed before any story text is processed, as a privacy safeguard.

SCORE SUMMARY

40% AVERAGE	40% MEDIAN	0.0% MEET THE 70% GATE	2 STORIES REVIEWED
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INVEST DIMENSION BREAKDOWN

DIMENSION	AVERAGE	SCORE	BELOW THRESHOLD
Independent	40%		1
Negotiable	50%		1
Valuable	55%		1
Estimable	30%		1
Small	25%		2
Testable	40%		1

SCORE DISTRIBUTION

BAND	STORIES	SHARE	SHARE OF BACKLOG
Low (0-39%)	1	50%	
Medium (40-69%)	1	50%	
High (70-100%)	0	0%	

LOWEST-SCORING STORIES

STORY	TITLE	SCORE	TOP RECOMMENDATION
VIN-1	Update the Database to MongoDB	17%	Rewrite the ticket as an outcome-focused user story (problem, impact, and measurable success criteria) instead of a technology mandate.
VIN-5	Mobile: Login intermittently fails / user returned to Login screen after successful authentication (session not persisted)	63%	Timebox a 1-2 day investigation spike to confirm root cause (client race vs. backend 401/403 vs. refresh flow), and document findings + updated estimate.

WHAT GOOD LOOKS LIKE

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QUALITY BY EPIC

EPIC	STORIES	AVERAGE	SCORE
10007	2	40%	

QUALITY BY AUTHOR

AUTHOR	STORIES	AVERAGE	SCORE
Author A	2	40%	

APPENDIX: 2 ILLUSTRATIVE STORIES

The complete scored dataset accompanies this report as a spreadsheet.

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NEXT STEPS

We recommend a follow-up review after the backlog is revised.

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