

SuperSimple TSPi Script: LAUn

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Purpose: to start the team on the second or subsequent development cycle

- **Entry Criteria:** Team has completed a prior SuperSimple TSPi development cycle and has all resulting documentation, code, and metrics available.
- **General Description:** The launch script starts the development cycle by reviewing and discussing past performance, defining and understanding the goals for this cycle, and determining which process improvement the team will make in the cycle.

Note: In Cycles > One, time recording begins immediately with the LAUn phase; you can use the existing tasks from the prior cycle (and possibly update them now or in the PLANn phase)

✓ 1 – Lessons Learned

Review the prior cycle results, successes, problems:

- **Instructor Feedback:** Review instructor feedback on prior cycle and seek clarification from instructor as necessary. The instructor may provide new themes for this cycle (areas for team emphasis). The instructor will remind teams of the importance of teamwork and how they need to address team issues promptly.
- **Team Feedback:** Team Leader or delegate leads team review. Discuss past performance by the whole team. What went well? What were the big problems? What do the metrics show? How do we feel?

✓ 2 - Goal Setting

Team Leader or delegate leads team in setting goals. Determine how you will improve team performance in this cycle. Decide what goals you will set. Achieve a common understanding of the goals and how each member can contribute successfully.

- **Discuss Possible Goals and Measures:** Brainstorm on how to better use goals and invent new ones; consider which of past goals to use / improve / drop.
- **Careful and Full Goal Definition:** Use the goal template to define in detail the goals for the cycle. Be sure each goal is evaluated (SDMC). Be sure each goal is measured. Decide when goals will be measured (weekly or only at the cycle end)
- **Create the Cycle Goal Document:** One assigned team member completed the goals document, adds it to the team documentation folder. The document is but under configuration control at this point

✓ 3 – Team Meetings and Data Requirements

Team Leader sets up regular team communication, and work schedule. Exceptions allowed with approval but all should have a standard pattern to follow each week. It helps to have common expectations for all team members

Planning Manger reviews for the team the data required and time for data to be provided every week. The schedule should be followed for all weeks of the cycle unless an specific exception is approved.

✓ 4 – Project Start

The team begins work on other phases of the cycle. There is no requirement that each phase be finished before the next phase begins, but the phases must be completed in order and all exit criteria must be met to do so. In SuperSimple TSPi we skip the STRAT phase.

LAUn Exit Criteria



The team has agreed on the goals for the cycle and the regular schedule and data reporting requirements.

Team documentation folder is set up and ready to use for the cycle.

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