

Weekend Testing Session #129 Chat Transcript

Weekend, 15:58

Hello everyone, welcome to Weekend Testing. I am Ajay Balamurugadas, your facilitator for today. Software tester for 14+ years, blog at www.enjoytesting.blogspot.com, work at Qapitol QA, love reading books and watching cricket. Please introduce yourselves.

Saket, 16:00

This is Saket Agrawal. I work at IBM. Love writing blogs and playing/watching Cricket.

Samay, 16:00

Hello everyone, I am Samay Sanghvi. Software Tester at Appdynamics with 1 yr of experience. This is my first session at weekend testing platform. I love watching movies and I am a fitness freak :)

badhurudeen, 16:01

I am badhurudeen from Chennai, 13+ experience

Chidambaram, 16:02

I am Chidambaram. I have been a tester for about 10 years. I enjoy reading.

manjunatha, 16:02

I am Manjunatha shanbhogue, Software tester at Moolya software testing with 1 year of experience. I love playing/watching cricket and enjoy reading

Nikhil, 16:02

I am Nikhil Soni from Pune, 5+ yrs experience in testing

Sreedhar, 16:04

Hi All, Good Evening, I am Sreedhar, with 8 years experience in software testing

Weekend, 16:04

Welcome Saket, Samay, Badhurudeen, Chidambaram, Manjunatha, Nikhil and Sreedhar :)
Happy to have all of you.

Weekend, 16:04

As this is the first time for many of you, let me quickly explain how a Weekend Testing session is run.

For the first one hour, we will work on a mission and test software. You are free to work solo/in groups. You can use any tools or techniques of your wish.

The next one hour, we will discuss, debrief and share our experiences. You can ask me any questions any time, here or in private.

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Today's mission is to work as a team and create one test report of testing Google Keep

Weekend, 16:05

Application URL: <https://keep.google.com/>

Chidambaram, 16:06

Why should we work as a team?

Weekend, 16:06

You can decide as a team what do you want to test and test for that.

Samay, 16:06

Team as in all in one team or groups of 2/3 ?

Weekend, 16:07

Why should we work as a team?

Most of the times, we would work with other testers and hence, let us experience working with new testers on a short notice

Weekend, 16:07

All of you as one team

Chidambaram, 16:08

Can we make use of one of the better Product Coverage Outlines that was shared a few days back?

Weekend, 16:08

sure, you can use whatever you want to use. The previous session reports are up at www.weekendtesting.com

Chidambaram, 16:09

ok, Team. let me get a PCO from there

Chidambaram, 16:09

then we can choose who is going to test what

Chidambaram, 16:10

In the meanwhile, can we discuss what we want the report to look like?

Samay, 16:10

Hi team we can start by first discussing the various features, note them down probably in a Mindmap ?

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Chidambaram, 16:10

Please ask questions to Ajay as to what he wants to see in the report

Chidambaram, 16:10

ANd we can see what the structure can be

Chidambaram, 16:10

Hi team we can start by first discussing the various features, note them down probably in a Mindmap ?

Samay, I will get a list of things that need to be tested from a previous session and we can use that to divide the work.

Chidambaram, 16:11

there is a mindmap for it already

Chidambaram, 16:12

http://weekendtesting.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/Srinivas_Google_Keep_PCO_11072020.pdf

Chidambaram, 16:12

All, please go through this PDF

Samay, 16:12

Please ask questions to Ajay as to what he wants to see in the report

Weekend Do you want us to list down the report in the format - Notes, Questions, Bugs, Issues, Ideas, Charter ?

Chidambaram, 16:12

we can decide who wants to test what

Weekend, 16:13

Hello Gowtham, welcome to the session.

Weekend, 16:14

I would let you go through the chat so far.

Gowtham, 16:15

Thank you.

Chidambaram, 16:15

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Ajay, what do you want to see in the report in addition to what Samay has asked

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This is good enough. Be aware of multiple notes by different members.

Weekend, 16:16

We will stop at 5 PM IST.

Weekend, 16:17

The final test report should make sense.

Chidambaram, 16:19

We are the following eight of us

Badhu

Chidu

Gowtham

Manju

Saket

Nikhil

Samay

Sreedhar

Chidambaram, 16:19

Can we start picking what we are going to test?

Weekend, 16:19

make it 9 :)

Chidambaram, 16:19

badhurudeen starting with you

Weekend, 16:19

and do welcome new joinees when they join

Weekend, 16:19

or you can say when not to accept

Weekend, 16:19

Welcome Bairagi

Samay, 16:20

Welcome Bairagi.

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I glanced over the mindmap. I would like to choose the reminder feature. How can i choose location based reminder?

Chidambaram, 16:21
please start testing Samay

Saket, 16:21
I'll pick labels.

Chidambaram, 16:22
http://weekendtesting.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/Srinivas_Google_Keep_PCO_11072020.pdf
badhurudeen? Gowtham? manjunatha?Nikhil? Sreedhar? bairagi?

Samay, 16:22
Are we maintaining seperate reports then merge into one?

Also Weekend Is there any specific thing in reminder you would want me to test? Were there any bugs already found in previous sessions?

Chidambaram, 16:23
Are we maintaining seperate reports then merge into one?

Also Weekend Is there any specific thing in reminder you would want me to test? Were there any bugs already found in previous sessions?
For now maintain your notes. I will put an excel sheet together

Weekend, 16:23
All the previous reports (requirements, test ideas, testing, bugs) are at www.weekendtesting.com

badhurudeen, 16:23
Archive feature will take

bairagi, 16:24
To view this shared photo, go to:
<https://login.skype.com/login/sso?go=xmmfallback?pic=0-sa-d6-3cef2d7ce8fa198bf97b18dcc74c0cd9>

bairagi, 16:24
i am unable to open report.

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bairagi, 16:24
can someone help

Sreedhar, 16:25
Same here

Weekend, 16:25
Does this help? I have downloaded the pdf from that link

Chidambaram, 16:30
https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1GBD7bJm7HMKSfgZ6ZPiu3cXHsKW_ZJWo5Nb1jvxVHK0/edit?usp=sharing

Chidambaram, 16:30
All, I have created a sheet for us to prepare a report

Chidambaram, 16:31
As and when you pick a feature add your name and feature to the 1st sheet. Create a new sheet and copy the format from the report_template sheet and fill in as and when you do your work.

Samay, 16:33
Sure Chidambaram

all I would suggest everyone to record their platform details with <http://www.supportdetails.net/> before starting to test

Chidambaram, 16:35
Sure Chidambaram

all I would suggest everyone to record their platform details with <http://www.supportdetails.net/> before starting to test
I have added it to the template. Thank You for this very good suggestion

Chidambaram, 16:36
all, please pick a feature, test and add your reports

Weekend, 16:49
18 mins left (time)

Weekend, 16:57
I will share the common drive link where you can upload report

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Weekend, 16:59

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1_Kpu9FqF6A-Un7R9wq-S_cyFRlStBEYt?usp=sharing

Weekend, 17:01

Last 6 mins

Chidambaram, 17:02

all, please review your reports. Today's focus is report so ensure it is exactly how you wanted it.

Chidambaram, 17:04

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1_Kpu9FqF6A-Un7R9wq-S_cyFRlStBEYt?usp=sharing

Ajay, the 1 report that all of us are working on is a shared google sheet -

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1GBD7bJm7HMKSfgZ6ZPiu3cXHSKW_ZJWo5Nb1jvxVHK0/edit#gid=455146105

you can access it directly

Weekend, 17:04

You have 3 more minutes to refine/remove anything or add anything

Weekend, 17:08

Great, so how was it? First time so much of quick collaboration?

Samay, 17:10

Well, i realised there has to be more than 1 person to drive the task with all the basic communication. Thanks to Chidambaram for being a lead in it.

Enjoyed collaborating with others. It is always good to learn new things :)

Weekend, 17:12

Somewhere I thought the focus could be on collaboration more than test reporting

Chidambaram, 17:13

Samay. Thank You! The reason I did it was because, some time back when I was in a similar group of strangers, there was no one taking initiative and as a group we lost precious time, so wanted to avoid it.

Ajay, I think by attending almost every session so far, I kind of knew what is needed. So, it helped me move very quickly to setup the report.

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Who all participated and what is your experience?

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Weekend, 17:14
Who all are online?

Saket, 17:14
I'm

Samay, 17:14
I'm

bairagi, 17:15
(highfive)

Weekend, 17:15
Saket and bairagi How was this session for you?

Chidambaram, 17:16
Somewhere I thought the focus could be on collaboration more than test reporting
What are some of the things that we could have done?

Saket, 17:16
It was the 1st time. Lost initial 18 minutes in figuring out how to start. In the end, it turned out to be a good session.

Chidambaram, 17:17
It was the 1st time. Lost initial 18 minutes in figuring out how to start. In the end, it turned out to be a good session.
Don't worry about it. This place is all about learning :-)

bairagi, 17:17
quick and crisp. As i came late so feeling like missed the most. Overall great

Chidambaram, 17:18
quick and crisp. As i came late so feeling like missed the most. Overall great
You are right. In my experience, all the sessions have been like that for me despite joining 5 mins earlier :D

Weekend, 17:18
To be honest, you all did well with whatever was available. There is always scope for improvement in every session.

Weekend, 17:19
- Some sheets don't have anything but still present in the final report

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Weekend, 17:19

- The order of sheets don't match the index

Weekend, 17:19

- We still don't know how much was covered and how much is pending in each feature

Weekend, 17:19

- Not sure how many more features are present

Nikhil, 17:19

I think I focused more on testing reporting part rather than on collaboration

bairagi, 17:20

i have a doubt. what is the goal?(think) testing in a small frame of time or collaboration

Chidambaram, 17:20

- The order of sheets don't match the index

This is on me. I didn't think of it. Thank You!

Weekend, 17:20

- A simple (20%, 60%, 90%) coverage would help stakeholders understand how much is covered

Weekend, 17:20

i have a doubt. what is the goal?(think) testing in a small frame of time or collaboration

Did you see the mission? Don't you think you should ask what is the goal at the start rather than at the end?

Weekend, 17:21

- A summary sheet is missing. As a developer, I am not interested too much in individual detailed notes

Weekend, 17:21

I want to see the list of bugs

Samay, 17:21

- A simple (20%, 60%, 90%) coverage would help stakeholders understand how much is covered

This should be for each sheet right. To tell what is pending?

Chidambaram, 17:21

- Not sure how many more features are present

Again Me

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Weekend, 17:21

This should be for each sheet right. To tell what is pending?

Yes

Weekend, 17:22

Again Me

Don't be so harsh on self. It is a team task.

Chidambaram, 17:22

- We still don't know how much was covered and how much is pending in each feature
This I thought of adding, but felt that charters and notes would cover. But yea, I agree. A
number would have made more sense.

bairagi, 17:22

Did you see the mission? Don't you think you should ask what is the goal at the start rather than
at the end?

i read it but i was missing the team work and collaboration

Chidambaram, 17:24

Don't be so harsh on self. It is a team task.

May be on some level. But if I am taking the initiative, I should have thought about these things.
Good learning though.

Samay, 17:24

all

What should be the distribution for 1 hr task

like 15 mins setting up the excel sheets 30 mins testing 15 mins noting things down in proper
manner?

Chidambaram, 17:24

i read it but i was missing the team work and collaboration

lol. again me :D, One thing that I didn't do is. I didn't check on the group after the initial
conversation.

Weekend, 17:24

Somewhere I think should it be docs or sheets? Docs would have made it easy for people to
paste screenshots

Chidambaram, 17:25

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Somewhere I think should it be docs or sheets? Docs would have made it easy for people to paste screenshots

Maybe summary in a sheet and then links to doc for each one's report

Weekend, 17:26

Ok here is a small twelve mins exercise. Work as a team again and prepare the summary sheet

Weekend, 17:26

which could be

- Features Covered along with % completion
- Bugs per feature
- What's pending per feature
- Overall recommendation

Weekend, 17:27

and you know that 12 mins is a lot of time if you use it wisely

Chidambaram, 17:27

Samay you want to give this a go. What should we do?

Samay, 17:28

Sure, i ll paste google doc link and we can all fill in each point what say?

Chidambaram, 17:29

But when multiple people are editing the same google doc, there's a possibility of overwriting each other

Chidambaram, 17:29

right?

Samay, 17:29

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1I9a9fAMKAP8nI_ceVqKB6UyDJX7qzvdmqY6RM5G96Pg/edit?usp=sharing

We can all choose seperate points

Weekend, 17:29

no, GDocs is smart enough to highlight the cursors and names

Chidambaram, 17:29

Cool, didn't know that

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Chidambaram, 17:30

Samay edit access please

Chidambaram, 17:32

I a doing bugs per feature all

Samay, 17:33

What about others?

Samay, 17:34

Can each one fill in all points for their feature?

Chidambaram, 17:35

I will list the pending per feature

Samay, 17:38

all , can you provide me with % of feature completion you did?

Chidambaram, 17:40

I have added mine Samay

Weekend, 17:41

I have added Summary Sheet at

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1GBD7bJm7HMKSfgZ6ZPiu3cXHsKW_ZJWo5Nb1jvxVHK0/edit#gid=155999664

Weekend, 17:41

see if that format helps

Samay, 17:44

Yes tabular summary chart looks better

Weekend, 17:45

As you grow higher up in the company chain, people expect and like on page summary of your work

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they don't have time to go through >2 page reports

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Know your audience. We are used to reporting to devs and managers

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How many of you are aware of MCOASTER test reporting mnemonic?

Weekend, 17:46

<https://www.informit.com/articles/article.aspx?p=457506>

Samay, 17:47

I have heard about the MCOASTER from your previous sessions, dont remember it

Weekend, 17:48

Session Based Test Reporting Mnemonic by Jon Bach

Past

Results

Obstacles

Outlook

Feelings

Gayathri, 17:49

MCOASTER - new terminology for me.. out of work past 2 years.. learning many important info through these sessions

Weekend, 17:50

so, what are your thoughts about test reporting now?

Samay, 17:51

We should think from stakeholders point of view while writing test report

Chidambaram, 17:51

A test report should be abstracted at many levels so that each stakeholder can get what they need, preferably from a single artifact.

Gayathri, 17:51

Understood that >2page report can be replced using new methods

Weekend, 17:52

How many of you have seen 1 slide reports

Gayathri, 17:52

to the dot, easily, quickly readable by desired audience

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we are somehow bound by the default templates. We can add a lot of details in a single slide as well

Weekend, 17:52

People can always zoom in and see what is required

Gayathri, 17:53

Interesting!!! to know about 1 slide report

Chidambaram, 17:53

How many of you have seen 1 slide reports

Vaguely remember seeing on multiple occasions.

Weekend, 17:53

Project Name, RAG Status, Blockers, Milestone achieved, Next Milestone, Last week tasks, Next week tasks

Weekend, 17:53

All of this can be in a single slide on PPT

Weekend, 17:55

Use bullets, phrases, vertical/horizontal guides to differentiate between sections and colors to differentiate sections.

Chidambaram, 17:55

@ajay, this is probably first thing that you have said and I am not very surprised about :D

Weekend, 17:55

Did not get that :)

Chidambaram, 17:56

Usually whatever you say will be a 100% new thing for me, but this wasn't :-)

Weekend, 17:56

So, Samay, Saket, Bairagi, and everyone else

Weekend, 17:57

if you had to repeat this session, what would be your thoughts :)

Weekend, 17:57

Usually whatever you say will be a 100% new thing for me, but this wasn't :-)
good to know

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Gayathri, 17:59

New learning each week through the session..

Samay, 17:59

The first would be to look from stakeholders point of view as to what he would want as final report.

2. Balance time between testing and reporting

3. Collaborate faster to start testing faster

Chidambaram, 17:59

If I am taking the initiative, I need to increase collaboration within the group.

Weekend, 18:01

Samay, Saket?

Nikhil, 18:01

Focus on collaboration when working as a team

Samay, 18:01

The first would be to look from stakeholders point of view as to what he would want as final report.

2. Balance time between testing and reporting

3. Collaborate faster to start testing faster

My thoughts

Weekend, 18:02

sorry, missed that

Weekend, 18:03

It was wonderful to have many new joiners and today marks the 11th year anniversary of Weekend Testing

Weekend, 18:03

We started this day in 2009

Chidambaram, 18:03

It was wonderful to have many new joiners and today marks the 11th year anniversary of Weekend Testing

Congratulations! :-)

Samay, 18:03

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Congratulations to Weekend Testing! :)

Gayathri, 18:04

- It would be an optimized one, if get to one feature each participant & whats the expectation before start of heuristics testing.

Weekend, 18:04

Questioning is such a critical part of these sessions

Nikhil, 18:05

Congratulations!!!

Gayathri, 18:05

We started this day in 2009

So happy to hear(rainbow)(partypopper)(xmasyes)Congratulations 🎉

Weekend, 18:06

Thank you all for joining, next session onwards, we will pick up a quality criteria and start from scratch there

Chidambaram, 18:06

Thank you all for joining, next session onwards, we will pick up a quality criteria and start from scratch there

Look forward to.

Weekend, 18:06

Please feel free to spread your experience reports on social media and get your friends to the session.

Weekend, 18:06

Have a great weekend ahead!

Samay, 18:06

Sure, thanks everyone. Can i be notified of future sessions or is there any way?

Weekend, 18:07

Weekend Testing website/twitter

Weekend, 18:07

I will ensure it is updated by Friday

Samay, 18:07

I will ensure it is updated by Friday

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Sure

Gayathri, 18:08

Thank you all for joining, next session onwards, we will pick up a quality criteria and start from scratch there

Collaboration works if we have more time. Heuristics what i heard is a rapid one done with less shortage time, main focus is to pick 1 feature, set time, start testing, note the outcome.

Gayathri, 18:09

like we did last week(but we focused entire featires randomly)

Weekend, 18:09

As it was already done, this week the focus was on collaboration

Gayathri, 18:11

Oh, okay.. sorry i missed the info.. Joined delayed.

Weekend, 18:11

no problem. See you all next weekend

Samay, 18:11

Thanks everyone :)

Gayathri, 18:11

Thanks to all 😊🙏👍

Chidambaram, 18:12

See you next weekend

Chidambaram, 18:12

thank you all for the wonderful inputs. Learning quite a bit!

Nikhil, 18:14

Thanks everyone

bairagi, 19:53

We started this day in 2009

congratulations