

Testers & Developers in One Team!

A dream?

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WHAT IF...

Developers and testers
are in different teams ?

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Developers

- Throw it over the wall
 - When the deadline is nigh...
- “We’re responsible for features”
 - “QA is responsible for quality”
- QA is the enemy
 - Let’s hide the bugs better
- QA takes too long
 - The slip is not our fault

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Testers

- Get hit with bad code
- Are involved too late in the process
- “Our goal is to find many bugs”
- Developers are the cause of all evil & bugs
- Are always the bearer of bad news
 - And sometimes the messenger gets shot...

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What's missing ?

- Common goal
- Common rewards
- Optimize the whole system
 - Local optimisations => Global worsening
- Feedback & learning
 - Teach developers to unit test
 - Teach testers to automate testing
- 2 way face to face communication

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Not only developers & testers

- Same problems arise with independent groups of
 - Architects
 - Analysts
 - DBAs...
- And users
- And management

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Small integrated teams

- All functions working towards same goal
- Coordinate between teams with
 - Wandering wizards
 - Rotating assignments
 - Pairing
 - Pragmatic, flexible standard work procedures

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I rest my case

... You decide

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