

THE PREMORTEM: FIX WORK IN SIX MONTHS OR LESS

! INSTRUCTIONS

Identify an important task you'd like to complete. Set a timer for 60 seconds. Write down all the ways you will fail. Be funny, silly and quick. When the timer is up, you have a road map. Fix those glitches before you start your task, and you'll improve your chances of success by over 30%.

➤ **TASK:** _____

GLITCHES:

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★ BONUS

Try this with a group project. At the end of the 60 seconds, take turns, and share your failures. What are the common themes? What surprised you? What blind spots did you discover?