
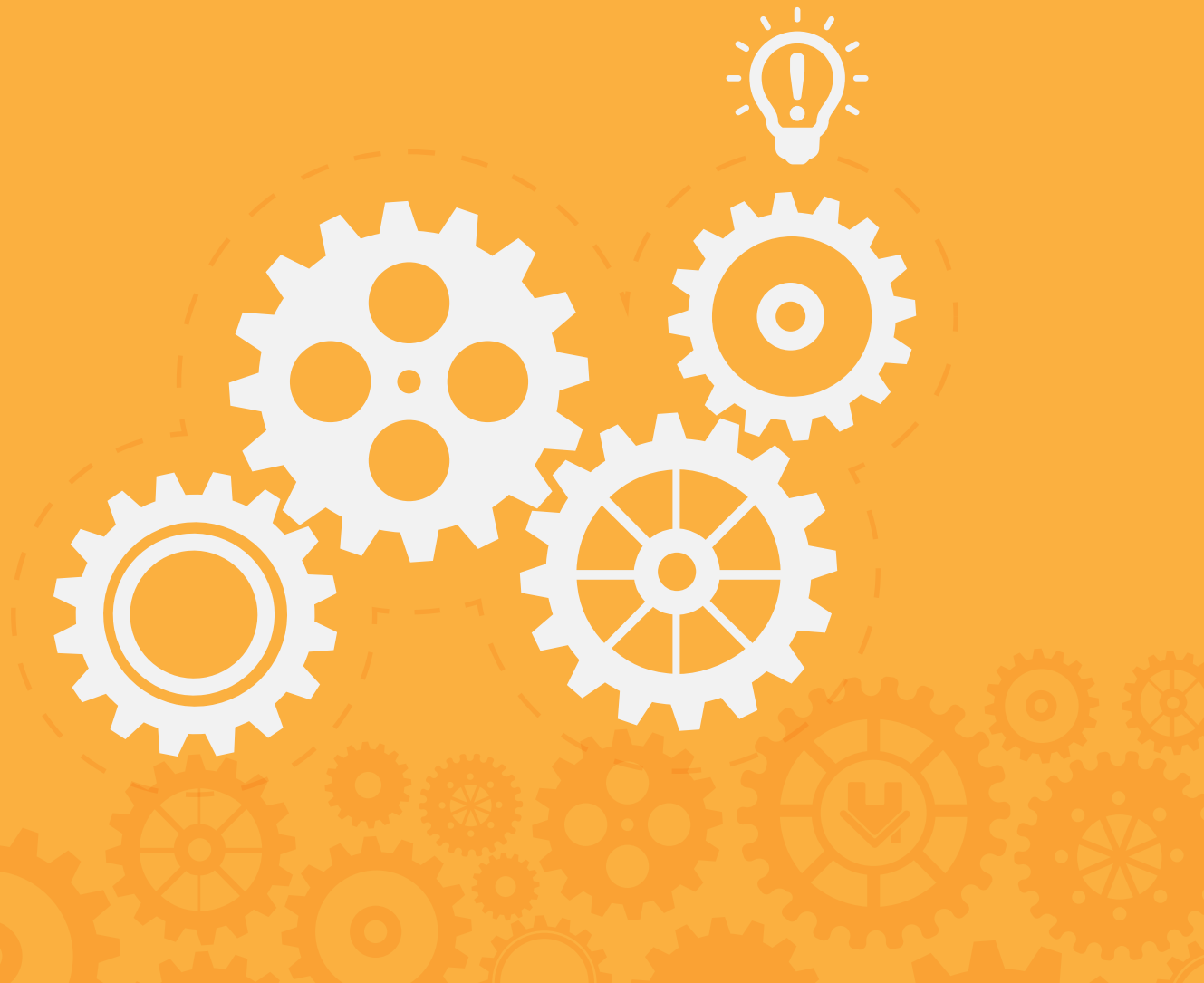


15 TIPS TO BOOST YOUR TESTING SUCCESS

Revisit your testing practices and find new ways to make good things even better!

Based on some great suggestions we received from testing experts and  PractiTest users, here are 15 tips you can implement today to boost your team's success.



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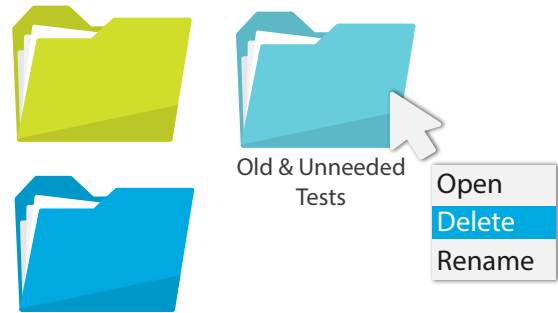


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This will help you measure how good your testing and development are. Understand whether a bug that escaped to production was actually detected but wrongly deferred, missed by your testing efforts, or even a design bug.

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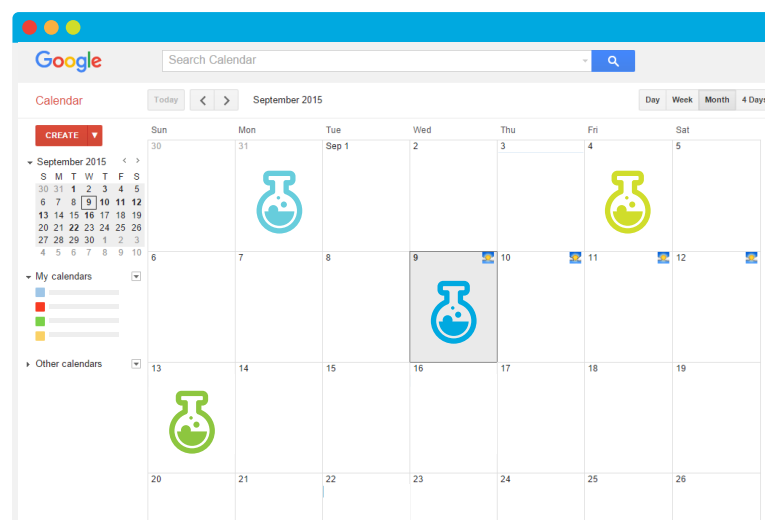


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