POV and Experience Prototypes

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Problem Domain:

Help music creators best practice their art

Initial POV

We met Jay, an experienced funk guitarist, at the Guitar Center. We were amazed to realize that despite saying he had no free time, he spent hours playing at the Guitar Center when his objective was simply to buy a distortion pedal. It would be game changing to shift his mindset from thinking of playing the guitar as a time-consuming, energy-taxing activity to a relaxing activity.

Initial POV

Additional Needfinding Results

Gary

- Who?
 - Pianist and owner of the Record
 Man in Redwood City
- Why?
 - He was wearing a cool eye patch!
- Where?
 - The Record Man in Redwood City
- Insights
 - He feels that the new generation of musicians are disinterested in older music genres and try to create original sound without reference to other artists



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- Who?
 - Music and Drama Major at UC Berkeley
- Why?
 - We found her singing a beautiful tune on the street
- Where?
 - o UC Berkeley
- Insights
 - She feels frustration for not being able to find people with a similar passion for music



Dave

- Who?
 - Novice Guitar Player
- Why?
 - Dominated the room with his strong personality
- Where?
 - o Gelb's Music Shop in San Mateo
- Insights
 - Dave doesn't use online resources but rather learns via one-on-one lesson and by listening to his idols play



Laura

- Who?
 - Music Major from St.
 Joseph University
- Why?
 - Employee at Gryphon
 Stringed Instruments
- Where?
 - Gryphon Stringed Instruments
- Insights:
 - Laura said that she found it difficult to rehearse because she had nothing to practice for



3 Revised POVs

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We met Carlos and Jose, two San Jose State students who play classical jazz guitar. Carlos is a intermediate guitar player and Jose is a beginner guitar player. We were amazed to realize that while they practiced a lot individually, they struggled to come together to rehearse songs so their performances were inconsistent. It would be game changing to guide musicians in collaboration practices in order to provide them with consistent rehearsals.

We met Troy and Laura. Troy is an expert drummer we met at the Guitar Center and Laura has a Music B.A. from Saint Joseph's University and currently works at Gryphon Stringed Instruments. We were amazed to realize that despite their dedication to music, they feel as if music is not as important to them anymore because they have nothing to practice for. It would be game changing to make musicians see practice not as a means to an end but as a means in itself.

Top 3 HMW Statements





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How might we make **low-commitment**, **easy-access**, and **quick-decision** collaboration happen?

HMW #1

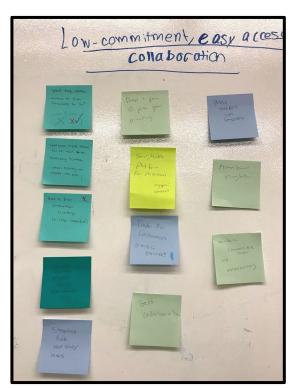
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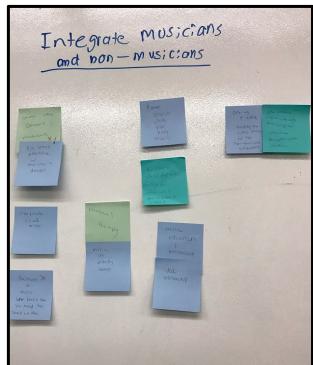
How might we **integrate musicians** and **non-musicians** into an inspiring jam session?

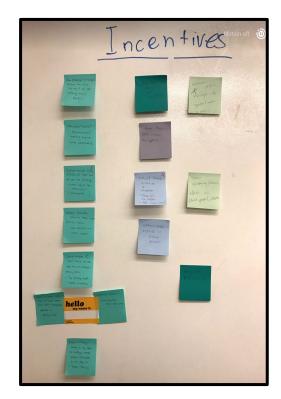
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How might we **incentivize practice** in a way that makes it **addicting**?

3 Experience Prototypes



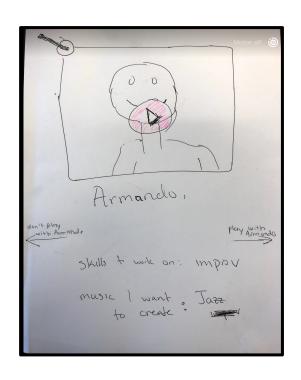


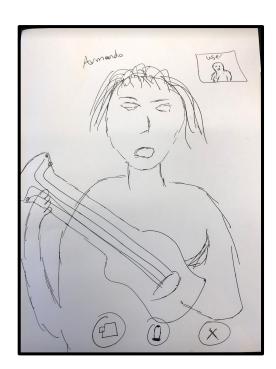


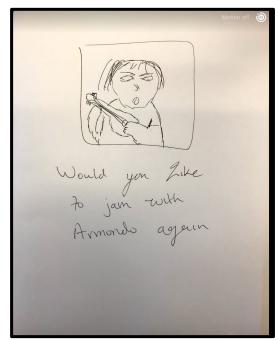




Prototype #1: Virtual Speed Collaboration

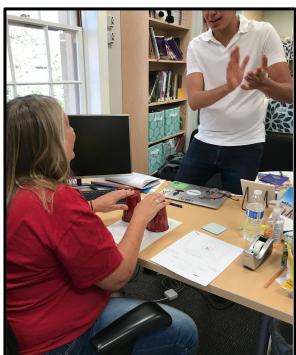


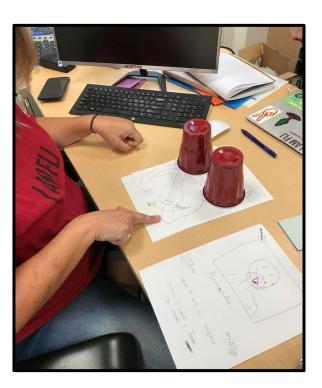




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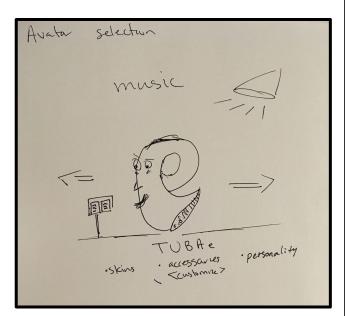


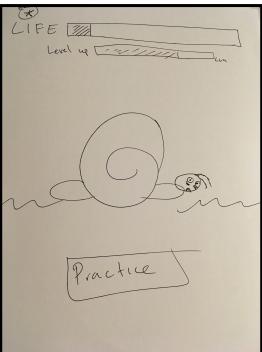


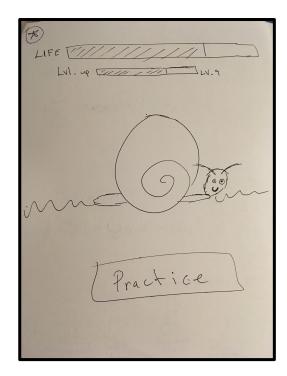
Results for Experience Prototype #1

- What they liked:
 - Quick & intuitive
 - Time-flexible
- What they didn't like:
 - Concerned about creepers on the app
- Suggestions:
 - Recording function within the video chat feature

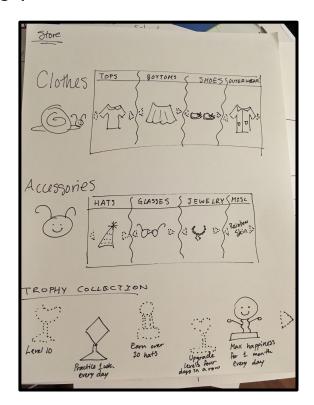
Prototype #2: Digital Pet

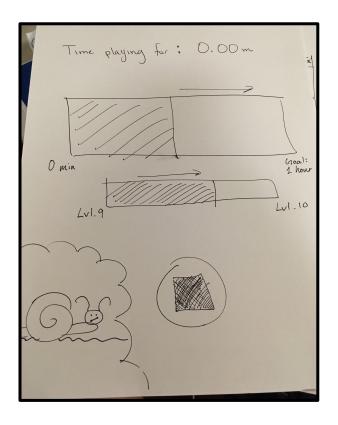




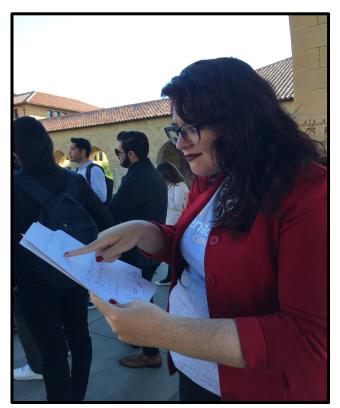


Prototype #2 Cont.





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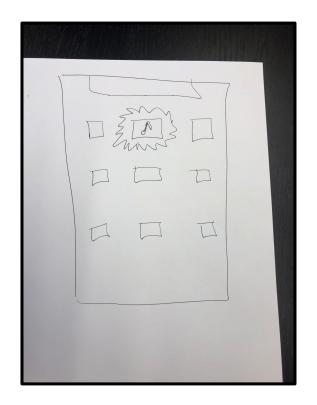




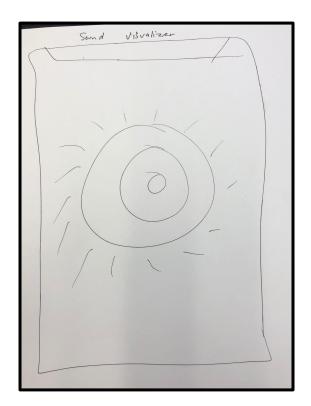
Results for Experience Prototype #2

- What they liked:
 - General concept of the digital pet
 - Reward system of clothing accessories and trophies
- What they didn't like:
 - Was confused by the level up bar in practice interface
- Suggestions:
 - More practicality: add a metronome feature
 - More interactiveness: add music related games you can play with the avatar

Prototype #3: Practice Lock







Results for Experience Prototype #3

- What they liked:
 - Liked the concept itself of making practice more of a habit than thinking about it heavily
- What they didn't like:
 - It can get annoying to unlock apps by playing music
- Suggestions:
 - Having an option to turn the app on or off (optional disablement)

Summary

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- We learned that people prioritize the low-commitment prototype #1
 due to the their lack of time
- Moving forward, we would like to continue iterating on this prototype and including a health component through a human-to-human interaction lens