How to Journal and Schedule

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It doesn't have to be hard!

There are many different ways to journal and schedule:

- Bullet journaling
- Journaling
- Time management schedules
- Whiteboarding
- Calendar
- A combination or mix-match!

The key is finding what works for you

• Personally, I use a combination of all of these because I have a lot on my plate, but you don't have to!

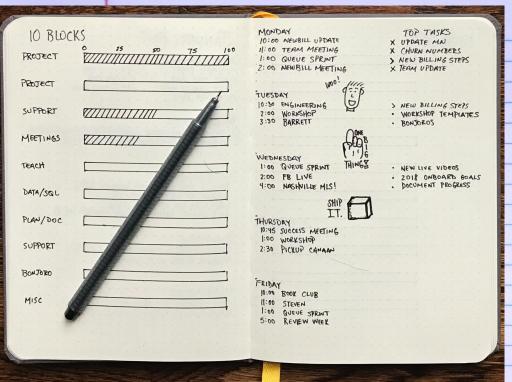
Bullet Journaling

Bullet journals are a tool for organization and personal goals.

They can be used to track your goals, sleep habits, mental health, and so much more!

A loose form of journaling that has a huge online community to ask about resources and getting started.

Can be used daily and can be flexible as to what you put in it



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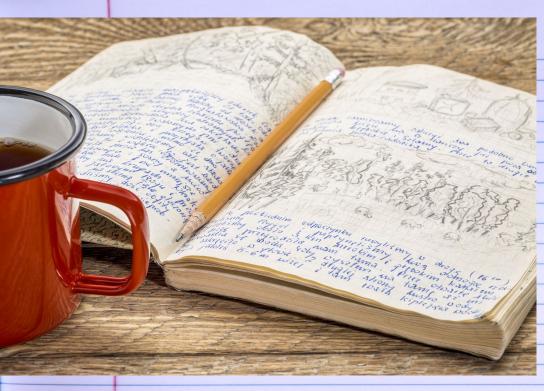
Journaling

The "original" type of scheduling, as viable of an option as any

Can be used to document your feelings, like a diary, alongside planning

Lots of resources both old and new on how to get started, as well as tips to stay with it

A less complicated way of journaling for first time planners







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Time Management Schedules

A great resource for people who need to schedule time for projects or who need to improve their time management skills

Can be broken down into blocks of time per day, week, month, etc.

Not limited to journaling or one type of writing, more of a tool to use alongside your journaling skills

Easy way to track progress for projects, events, life goals, and more!







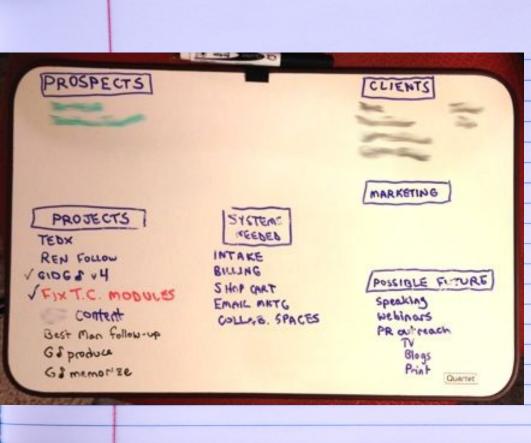
Whiteboarding

An easily-changeable tool to remind yourself or schedule time

Typically used alongside a journaling technique, whiteboards often are used as reminders for short term events or project deadlines.

Physical erasing of deadlines can be useful to feel accomplished

Great for beginners who seek small changes to their daily routine and less daunting than another journaling type







Calendars

The most common type of scheduling

Good to see weeks and months in advance

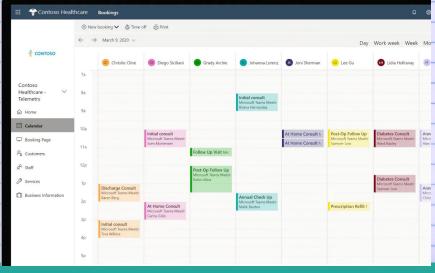
Useful tool for daily life and can be used alongside other journaling types

Can be as big or small as you'd like

Accessible in a digital format, as well



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Form vs. Function- Does it have to look pretty?

I know a lot of what is online, including my examples, show perfectly made-up journals that have a cohesive color palette and style.

This does not mean that yours has to be! My personal journal is ugly with very little design to it.

You should first think about what goes into the journal and how it will help you before you go into making it look nice. After all, this is supposed to be a tool for you to succeed.

Scheduling Tips and Basics

- Set long and short term goals
 - Make them realistic
 - Give yourself monthly, yearly, and weekly goals
- Block out your time
 - Give yourself more time than you think you'll need
 - Keep in mind your schedule as you do this
- Keep yourself accountable
 - On't just give up halfway through the month because it's hard
 - Analyze what is and isn't working, then see if you need to change what you're doing
- Don't get discouraged
 - Even if you don't reach your goals, don't think you're a failure
 - You are learning and growing
 - Every step in the process is important and successful

When in Doubt, Ask for Help

Consult the internet, a friend, or the Student Success Center!

You have so many tools at your disposal, why not use them?

You're not on your journey alone, so don't feel stuck when you can't figure it out.

You've got this!

Happy Journaling!