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People have 23 chromosome pairs. Down syndrome occurs in 1 of every 800 childbirths, and is caused by an extra "third" chromosome in the 21st pair.

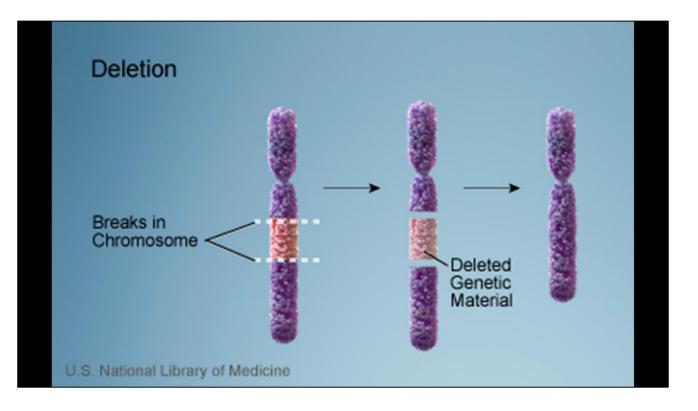


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22Q deletion syndrome is caused by a deletion in the 22nd chromosome pair.



Julian is 22 years old in this picture.

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Dopamine is the neurotransmitter responsible for pleasure seeking behavior in animals. For time management purposes, it is the hormone that keeps us motivated.

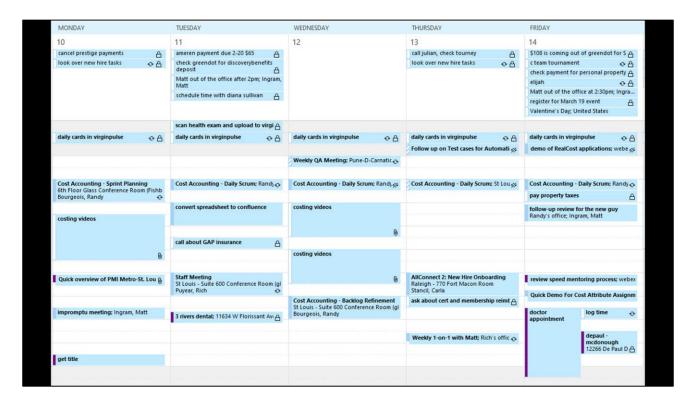
Cortisol is the "stress hormone." For time management purposes, it is the hormone that causes us to procrastinate.



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Calendar blocking

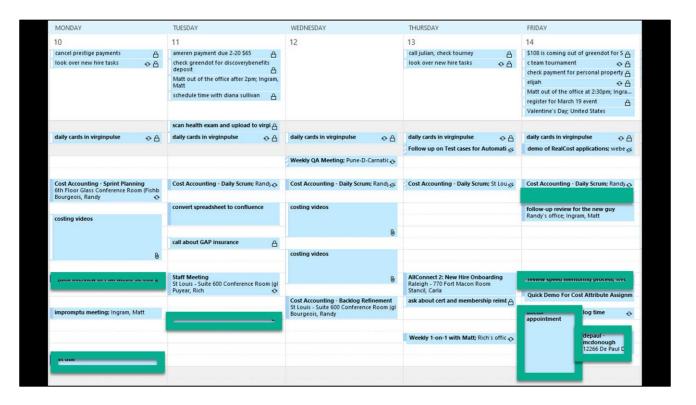
Calendar blocking is a technique used by Elon Musk, Bill Gates and many others. A good introduction to the technique is at https://www.keepproductive.com/blog/how-to-calendar-block.



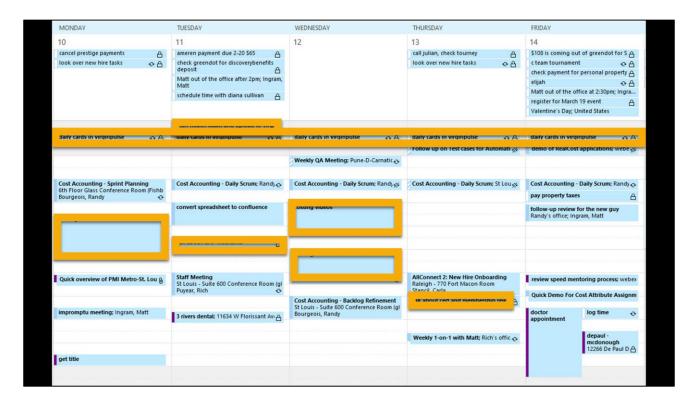
A screen shot example of my calendar from February 2020.

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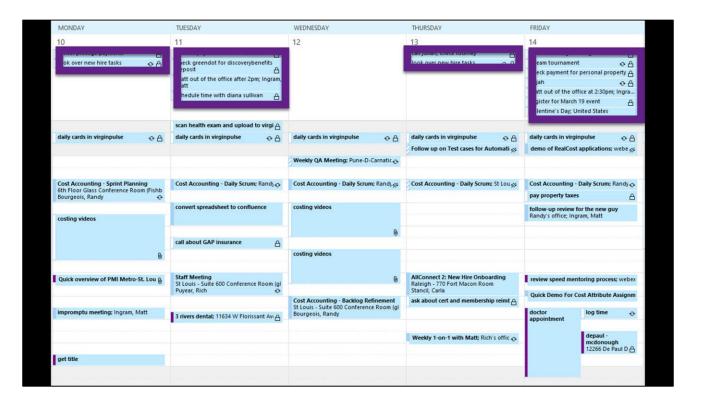
Meetings



Personal "out of office" appointments or tasks



Tasks that need time to complete. Can be moved.



"All day" tasks, used as reminders to block some time on the calendar. Include a weekly look-ahead to plan for next week's calendar. I include recurring items like "change furnace air filter" or "give dog medicine." This technique has several advantages:

- Improves task estimation accuracy
- Keeps cortisol low, you don't have to remember anything
- People are more likely to work a task if it has a scheduled start time and duration



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Learn to say no

Oprah Winfrey spoke about her decision to change the content of her syndicated talk show after two particular shows, one in which members of the KKK appeared, and one in which cheating husbands appeared. She realized that her own reluctance to say "no" to her producers led to her hosting show episodes that she immediately regretted.

(and not feel guilty about it)

One technique I use to scrutinize people's request for my time is to imagine they are asking for money instead.

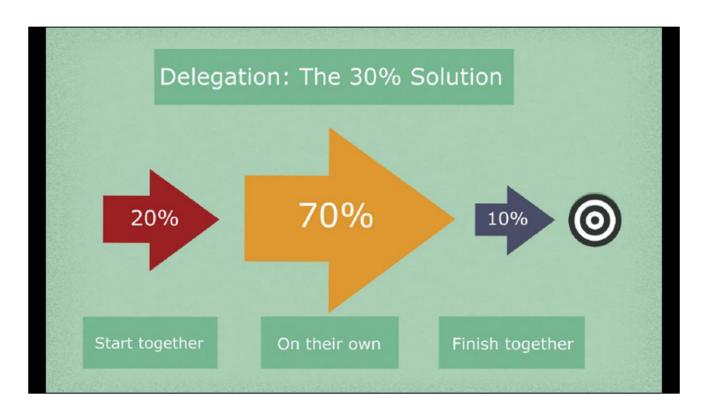


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Kim Kardashian has two children by natural childbirth and two children by surrogate.



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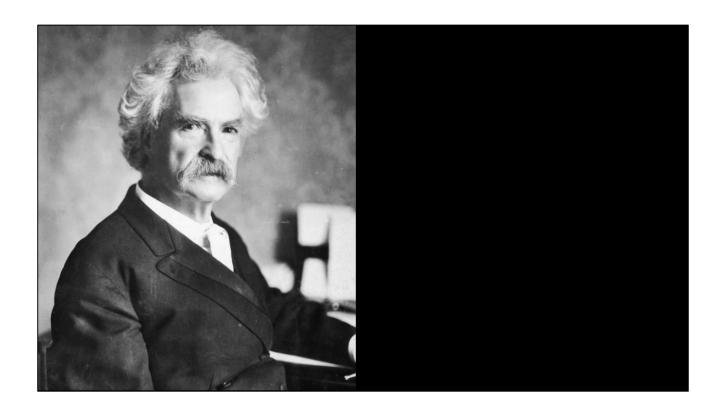
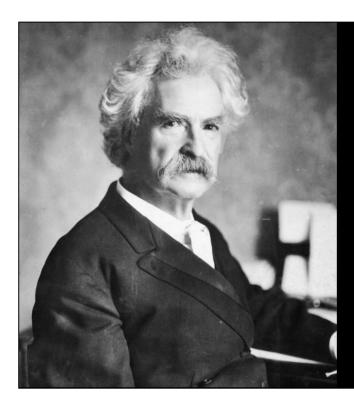


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"Eat a live frog first thing in the morning and nothing worse will happen to you the rest of the day."

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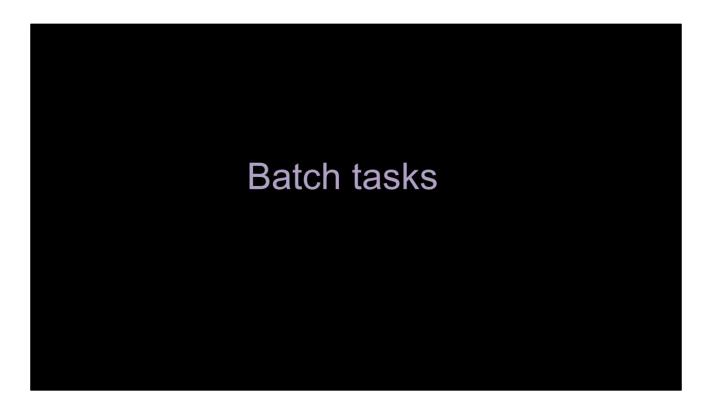
Eat the frog first

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Technique: review your calendar and identify the worst task (hardest, most boring, most likely to inspire procrastination).

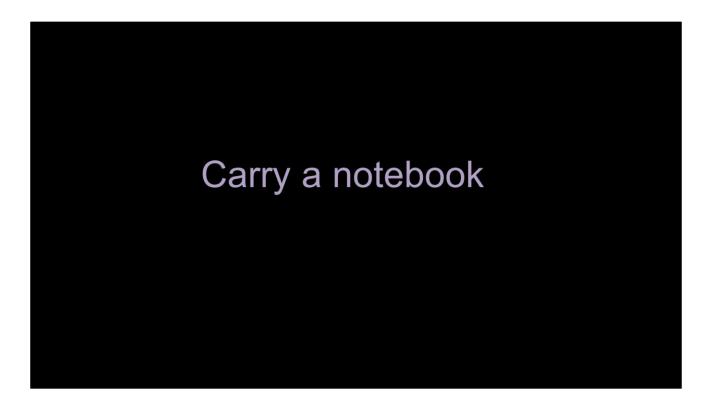
Work on this task the first thing in the morning. Even if it doesn't get finished, starting it helps.

Why? The dread of starting the task (which produces cortisol) is often worse than the task itself.



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Calendar block

Say no

Eat the frog first

Delegate

Carry a notebook

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