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Unit Details



WA5: Business Administration

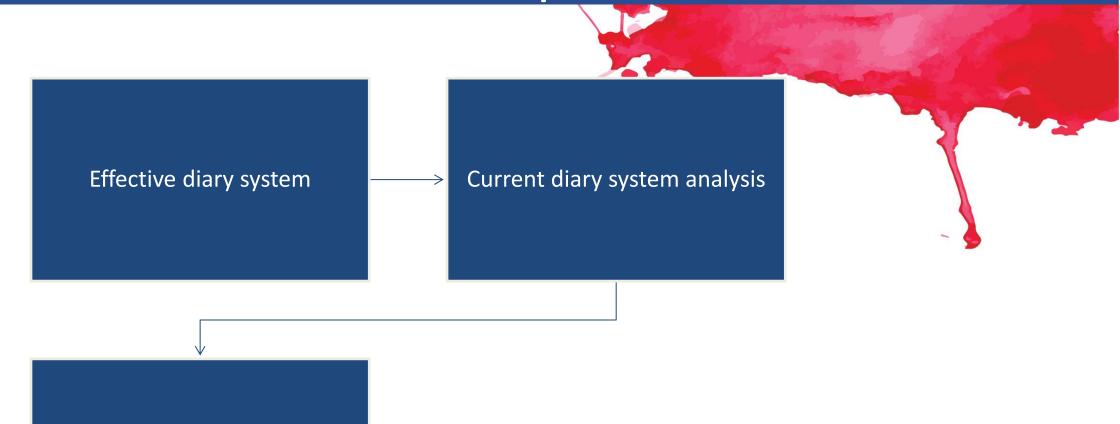
3.11 Use and manage diary systems

LO3.49: Analyse the effectiveness of existing diary systems based on users' needs and business requirements in order to make recommendations for improvements and the necessary training.



Route Map





Different users

Objectives

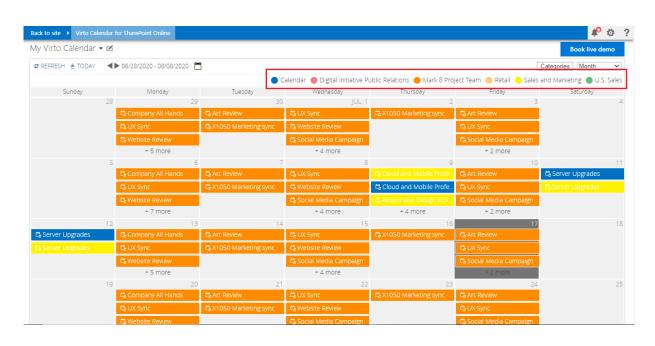


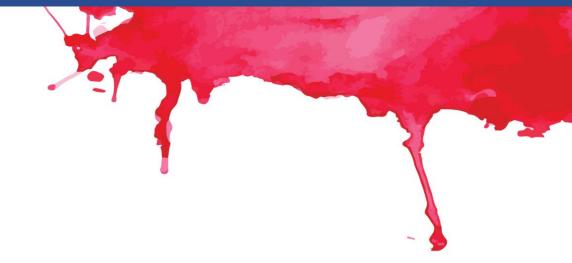
By the end of this unit learners will:

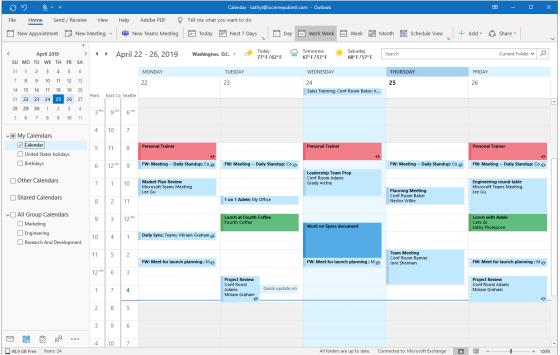
- List the factors that affect the effectiveness of a diary systems taking into consideration users' needs and business requirements.
- Examine the existing diary systems and outline their advantages and disadvantages
- Recommend improvements to the existing diary system so that they are more aligned to user's needs and business requirements.
- Find new possibilities in diary systems to improve the business efficiency
- Recommend training to users on the improvements made to diary systems.

Diary system



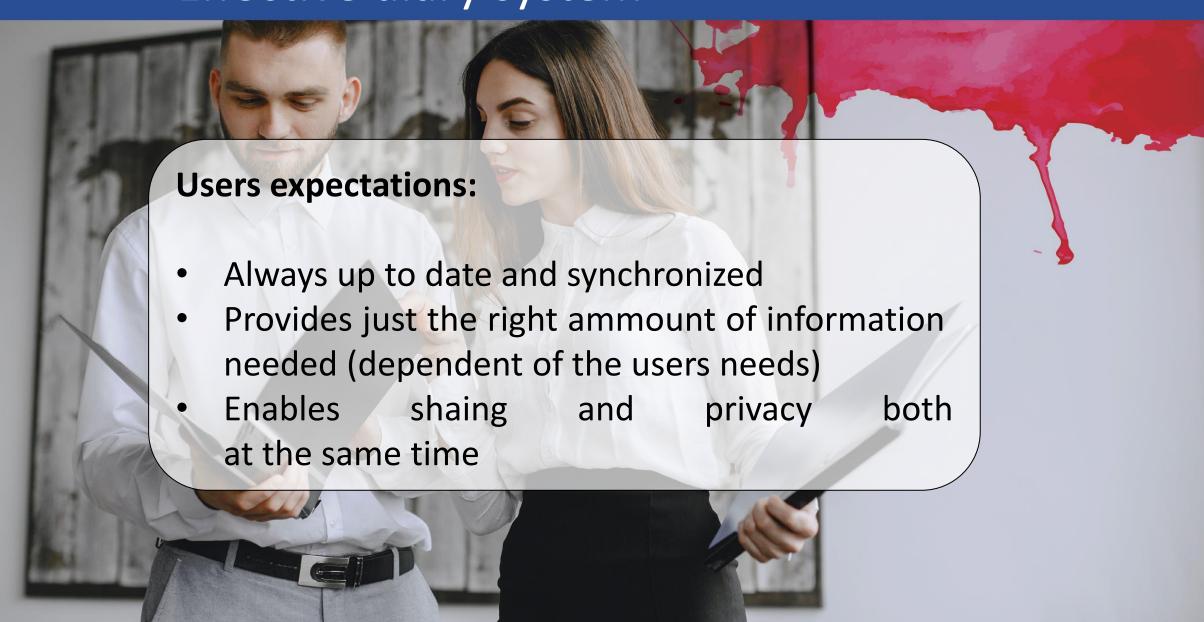






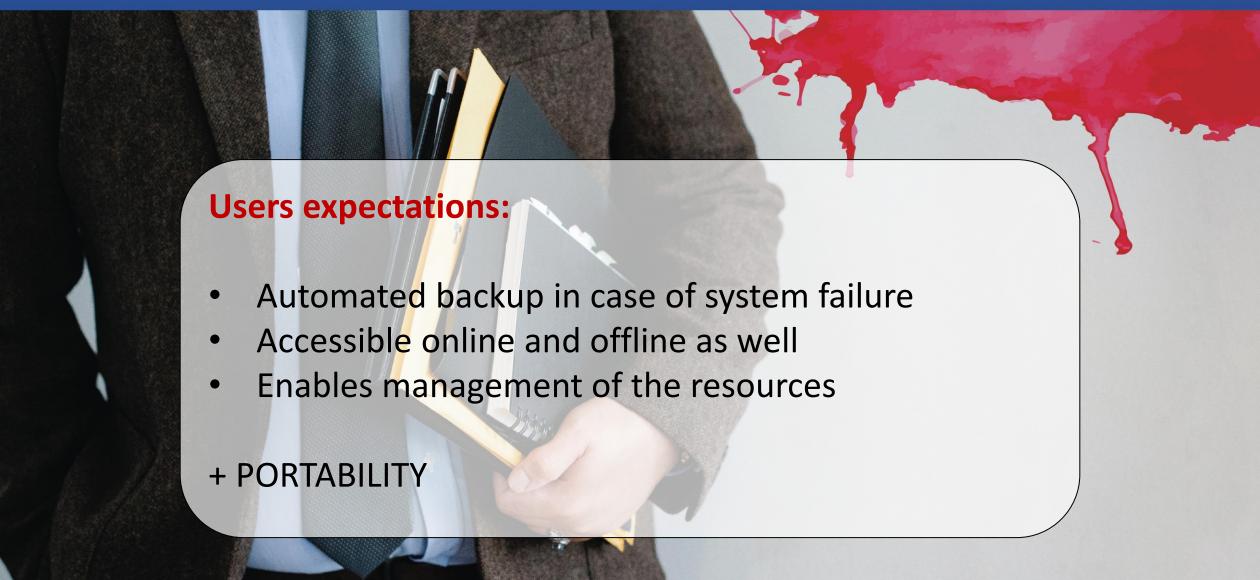
Effective diary system





Effective diary system





Factors affecting effectivenes



• **Compatibility** with other company's software and hardware

Initial set up of the system



Factors affecting effectivenes





HUMAN FACTOR

- Ability to use the system in terms of technical knowledge
- Accuracy of entries
- Respecting the procedures



Factors affecting effectivenes







Current diary system analysis

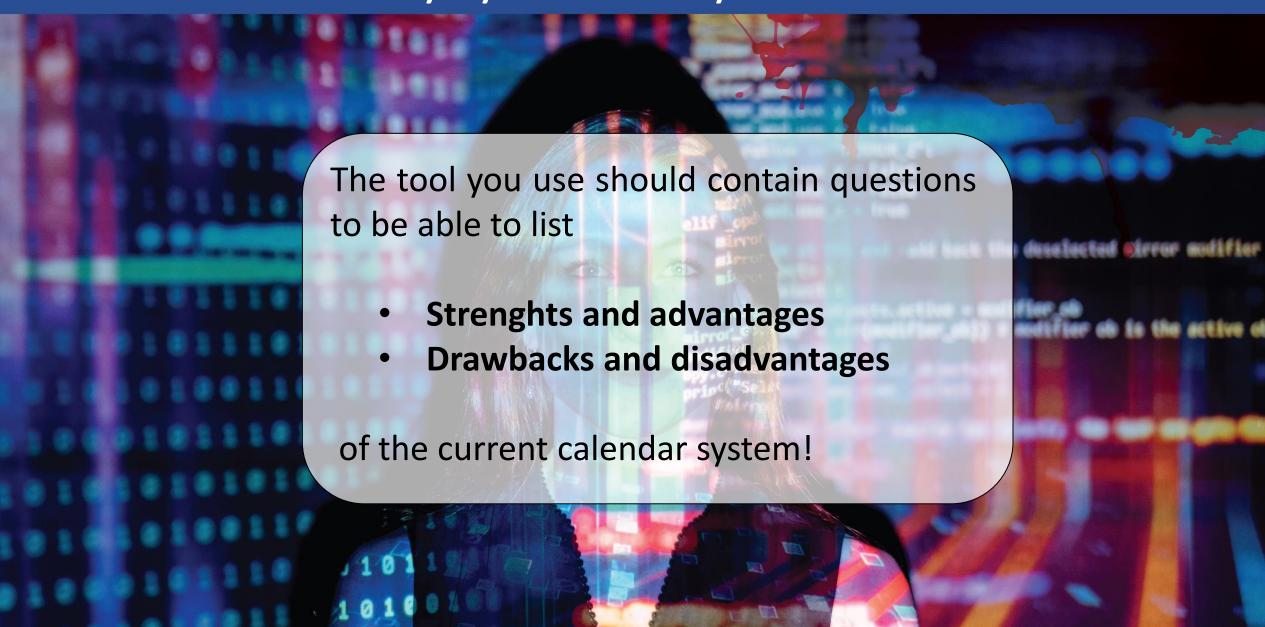


How to find out the needs and requirements for the system?

- Observation (do people complain about the system?
 Are they using the diary with difficulties?)
- Asking questions (Interviews, Questionnaires)
- Analysis of company processes (does the current system fit in and support the company processes?)

Current diary system analysis





Methodological Tool I







Comparing different user needs

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Manager and the calendar system

- May require PA to completely manage his calendar or only manage certain type of events
- May create windows for certain type of events for PA to fill inn (ie schedule meetings)
- May want to analyze the allocation of time of his su bordinates
- May need reminders or documents related to meetings inserted directly in the diary





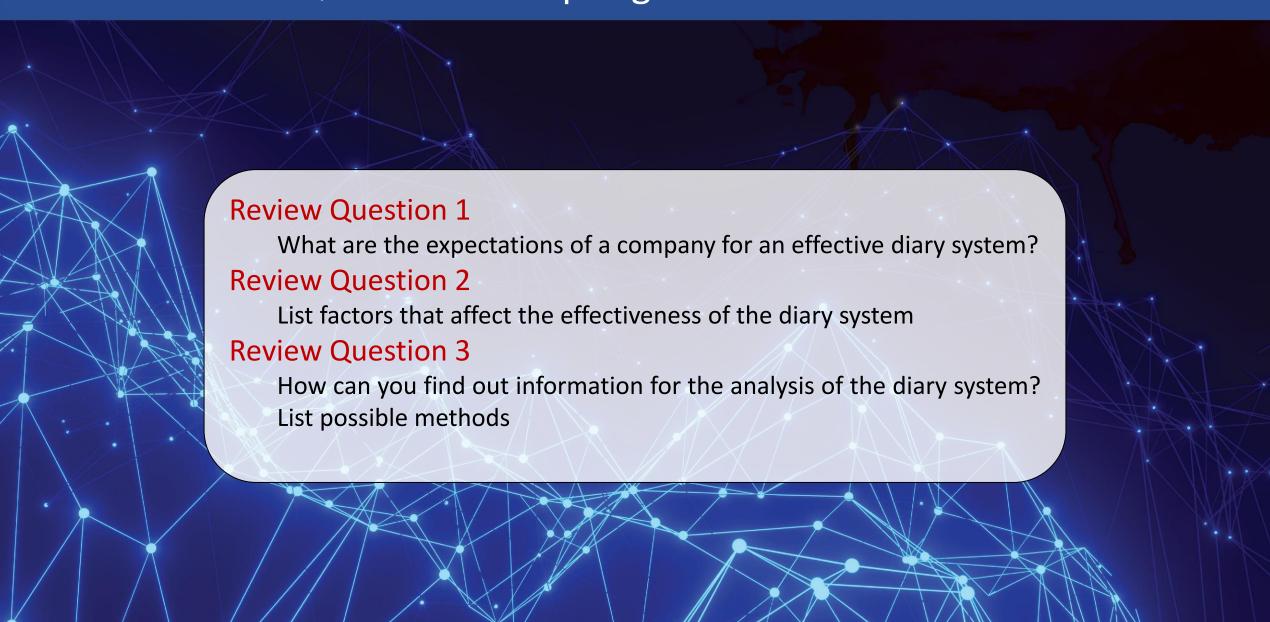


Different types of companies may have different requirements based on:

- The number of employees
- The number of resources they need to manage
- The Industry
- Number of branches/locations
- Existing business processes

Questions on iSpring





Module Key points



Key Point 1

The most important factor that affacts the effectiveness of di ary systems is

THE HUMAN FACTOR

Key Point 1

Each company may have different expectations from diary syst ems,

and sometimes the conditions change therefor it should be re guraly monitored for effectiveness and changed when needed





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