

A5 · Failure Premortem Worksheet

THE INNOVATION CODEX TOOLKIT

Surface and mitigate the most likely causes of failure before they happen.

Project or Initiative

Primary Objective

Premortem prompt: It is six months from now, and this project has failed. What went wrong? Brainstorm specific failure modes in each category.

Technical / Feasibility

Market / Desirability

Execution / Team

Business / Viability

Top Three Risks

Risk	Mitigation	Owner

Early Warning Signals

What would tell you, early, that a top risk is materializing?