



False Success Detector

Use this to catch cases where the product says done while the relied-upon promise may still be broken.

The pattern

False success happens when the product looks successful while the person relying on it is still betrayed by the outcome.

Delivered is not proof

Correct receipt is the promise.

Resolved is not repaired

Closure is a workflow state. Resolution is a promise state.

Confirmed is not reserved

A real slot or capacity must be protected.

Refund issued is not refund received

The customer relied on money movement, not only internal approval.

AI answered is not AI resolved

A response can appear before evidence, authority, escalation, or repair exists.

- Which status label creates the most false confidence?
- What would the customer say is still unresolved?
- What proof would matter outside your system?
- Where does ownership disappear?

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