

Research Data Management Skills Development Through Game-Based Learning

MANAGING AND SHARING
RESEARCH DATA
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Synopsis



Aim of the Game



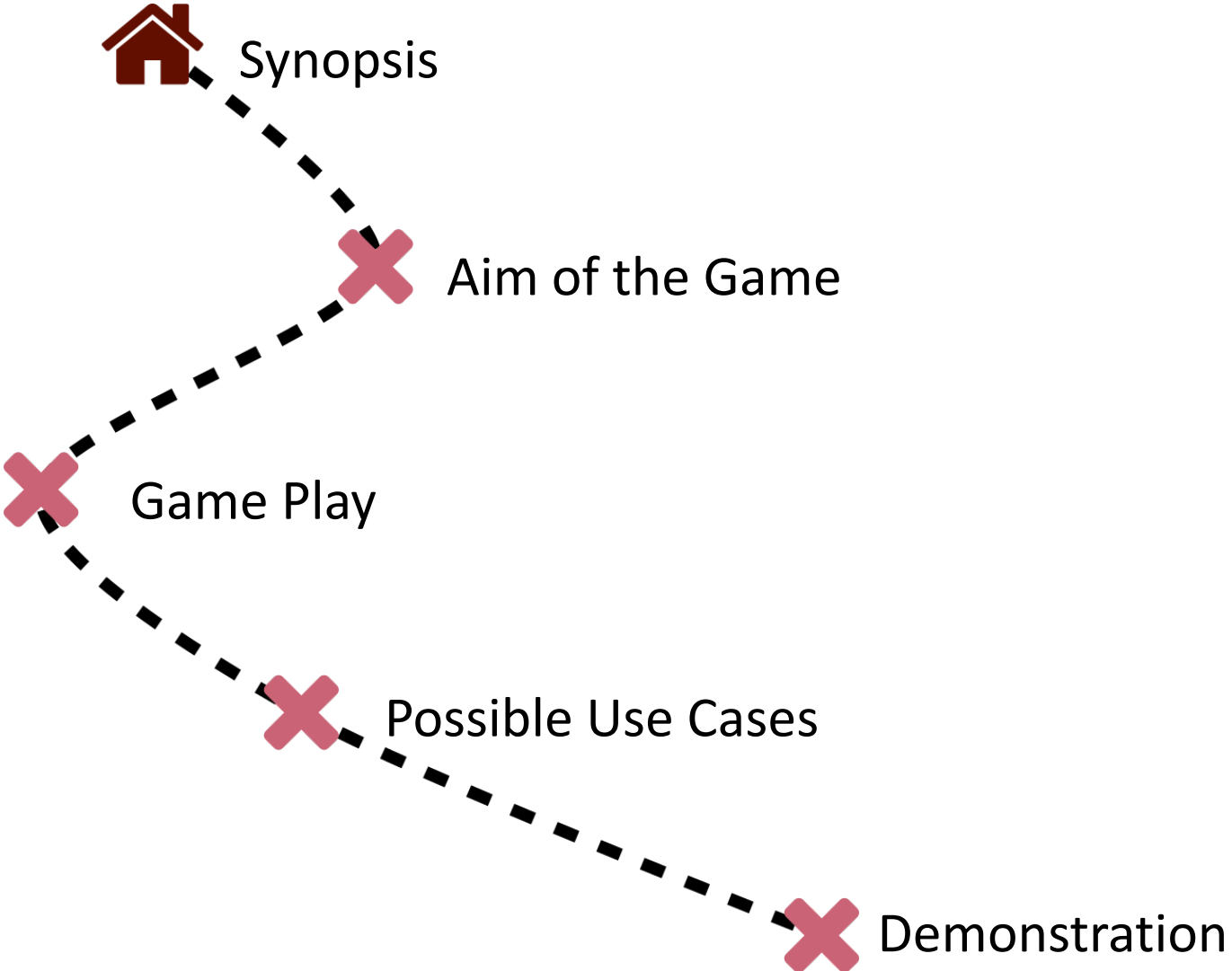
Game Play



Possible Use Cases



Demonstration



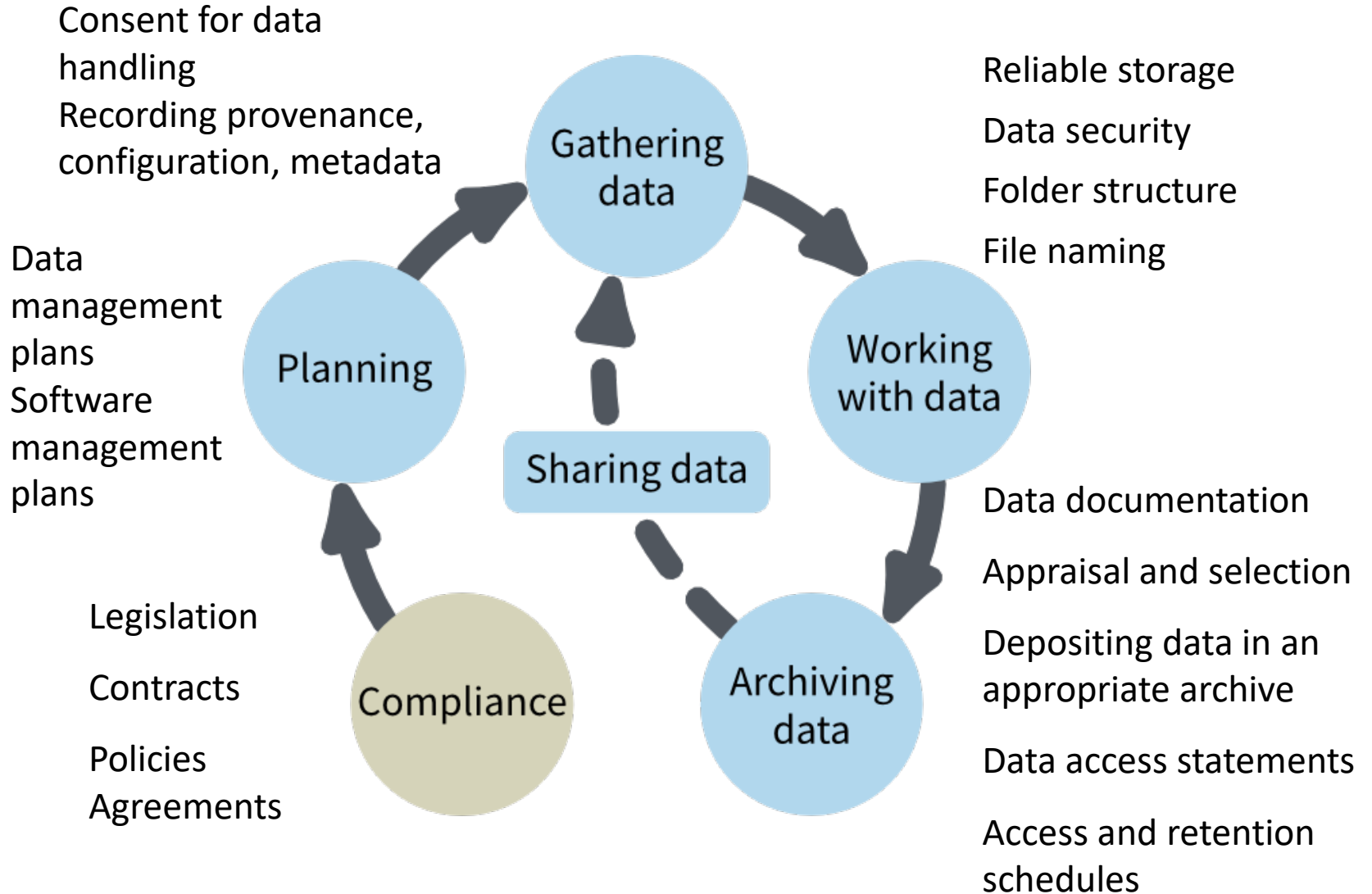


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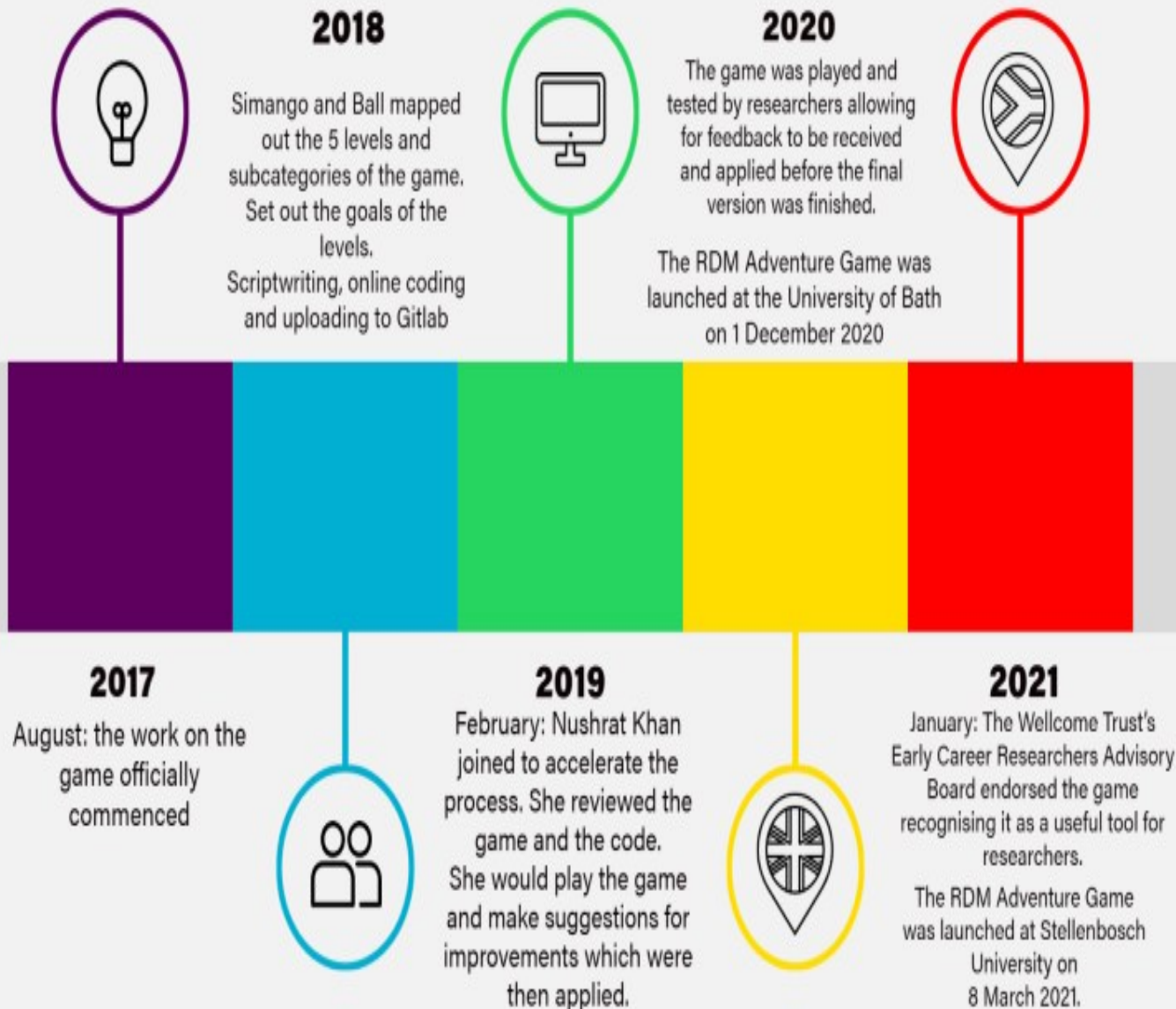
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Research data management





The development process of THE RESEARCH DATA MANAGEMENT (RDM) ADVENTURE GAME





It is important that your data are Findable, Accessible, Interoperable, and Reusable (FAIR). The following guides will help you make your data FAIR:

- [Guidance from our data champions.](#)
- [Guidance from the Wellcome Open Research Early Career Researchers Advisory Board.](#)
- [Guide to making data FAIR.](#)

PLANNING

Here are some quick guides to help direct you when it comes to preparing and organising your data.

- [Formatting your data in spreadsheets;](#)
- [Selecting an appropriate repository;](#)
- [Choosing an appropriate license.](#)

PROCESSING

- To maximise your data for re-use, head to our page on [Data Notes](#).
- Read our [collection of data stories](#), where researchers share the challenges, learnings and benefits of making their data open.

RE-USE

SUCCESSFUL APPLICATION



COLLECTION & ANALYSIS

Managing data collection can seem daunting. Here are some [data collection tips and resources](#), supplied by our data champions.

PUBLISHING & SHARING

- Ease anxieties you have about sharing your data with our [myth busting piece](#).
- If you have concerns about protecting research participants, while openly sharing your data, see this [guide on sharing sensitive personal data](#).

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Have a go at the [Research Data Management Adventure Game](#), helping you work through a project from its very beginnings to its closing stages.



Resources

Policy Implementation Tools

RESOURCE: [Research Data Management Adventure Game](#)

FOR PROFIT: No

DESCRIPTION: The Research Data Management Adventure Game is a text-based role-playing interactive fiction serious game, based on the data management challenges of a research project. The game takes the form of an online choose-your-own-adventure format in which game players take a simulated research project through the following processes: data management planning, data collection/generation, data organisation, data description and research publication, while encountering data management challenges along the way.

RELEVANCE TO FUNDERS: The Research Data Management Adventure Game is a fun, engaging way to demonstrate good practice in research data management.



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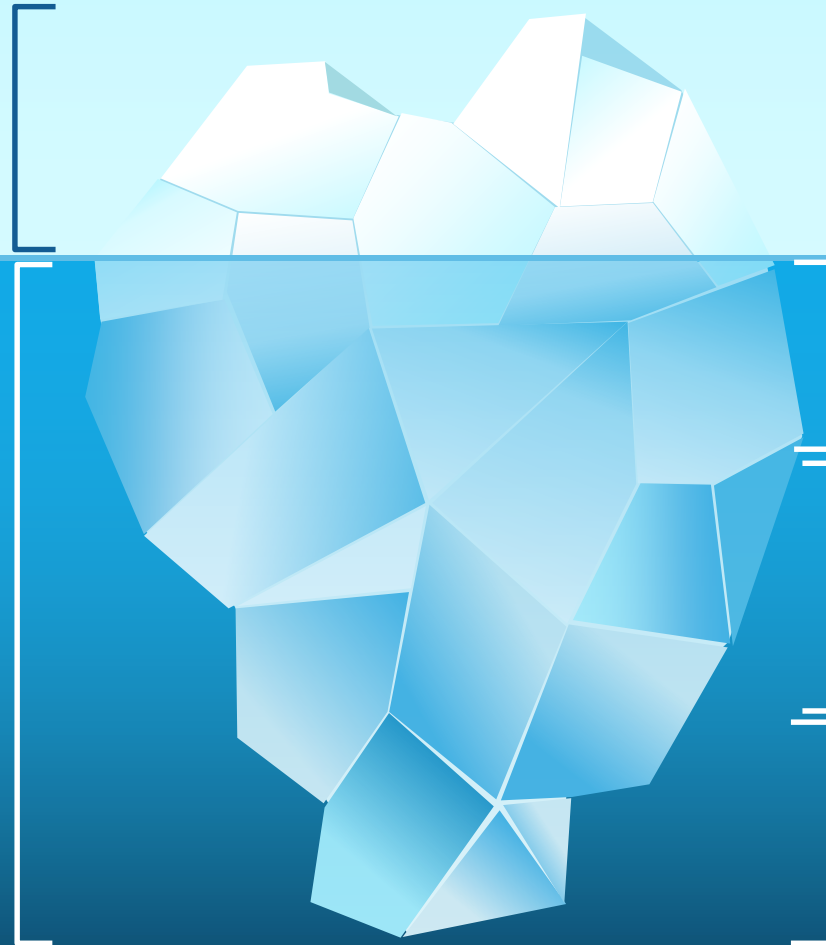
RDM Adventure Game

Research Data Management

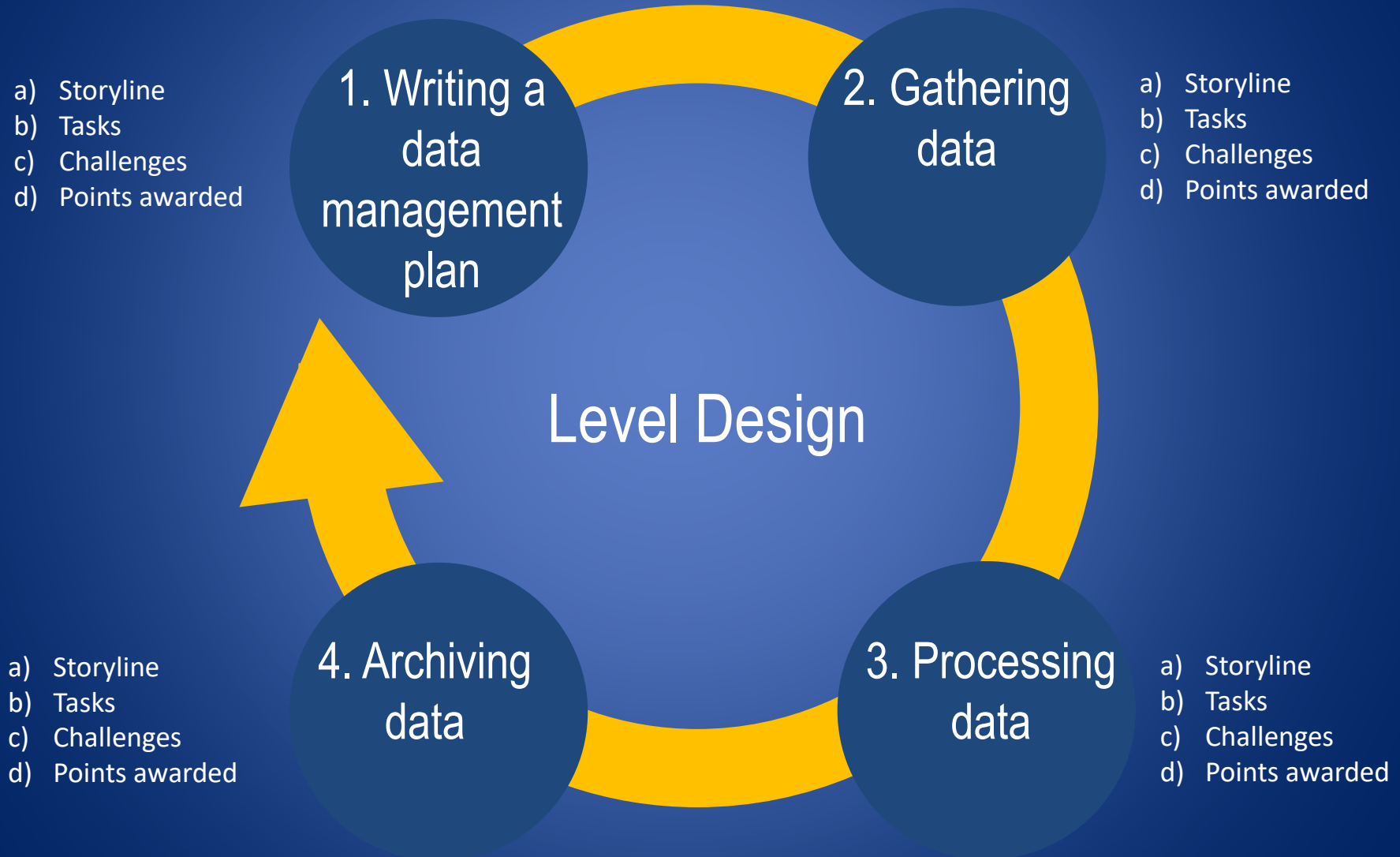
Data management planning

Data literacy

Data archiving



Simulated Activities



Research Data Management Life Cycle

Data Management Planning

1. Write data management plan

2. Review bid

Active Data Management

1. Study design

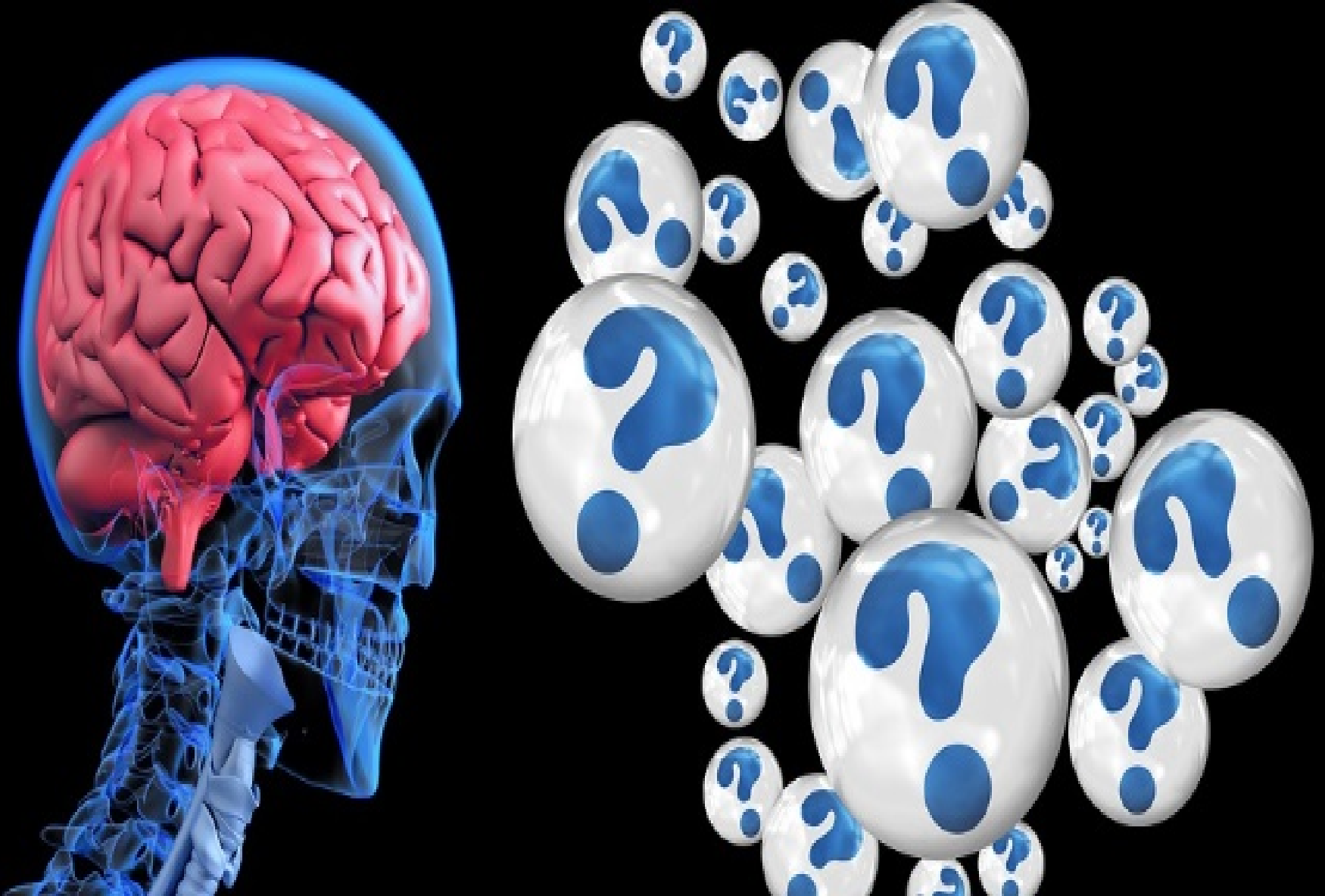
2. File organisation and data storage

3. Data analysis and documentation

4. Data archiving

5. Data publication

How could the game be used?



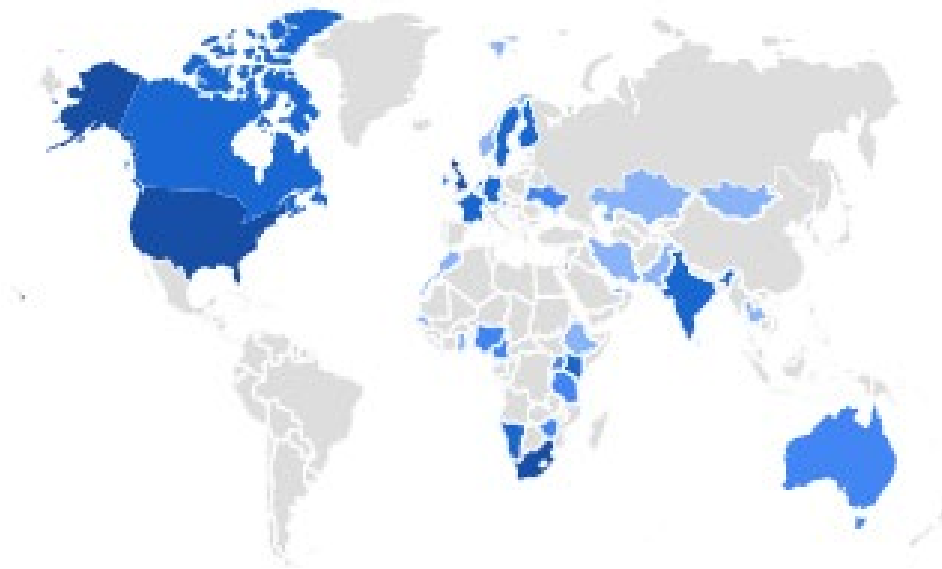


Virtual Training

Interactive Training

WHERE ARE YOUR USERS VISITING FROM?

Users ▾ by Country



| COUNTRY | USERS |
|-----------------------|----------------|
| <u>South Africa</u> | 306 - |
| <u>United Kingdom</u> | 205 ↑ 2,462... |
| <u>United States</u> | 72 - |
| <u>France</u> | 27 - |
| <u>Netherlands</u> | 18 - |
| <u>Germany</u> | 9 - |
| <u>Sweden</u> | 9 - |

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[View countries](#) →



SELECT YOUR OWN STORY...

YOU ARE IN CHARGE OF YOUR RESEARCH JOURNEY
THERE ARE 8 POSSIBLE ENDINGS!

RESEARCH DATA MANAGEMENT ADVENTURE



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I wonder if there are any questions?



Further Reading

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