Time Management "Matrix"

A blueprint for daily time management

Urgent

Not Urgent

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Do now: Unforeseen events and immediate problems

Schedule on calendar: Bigger goals, preparation, planning

- Crisis Issues
- Emergency work
- Last-minute obligations

- Important Goals
- Strategic Tasks (might not have a deadline)
- Long-term projects

Not Important

Do soon: Constantly busy without moving forward

- Incoming messages and mail
- Minor issues and interruptions

Do later: Trivial activities, things we don't need to do but might like to

- Routine tasks
- Time-killing activities and distractions



Activity: Sort the following into each box: Recharge phone, pay bills due 2 weeks, get groceries, essay due in 4 weeks, test next week, respond to friends' texts, Netflix, do homework due tomorrow...