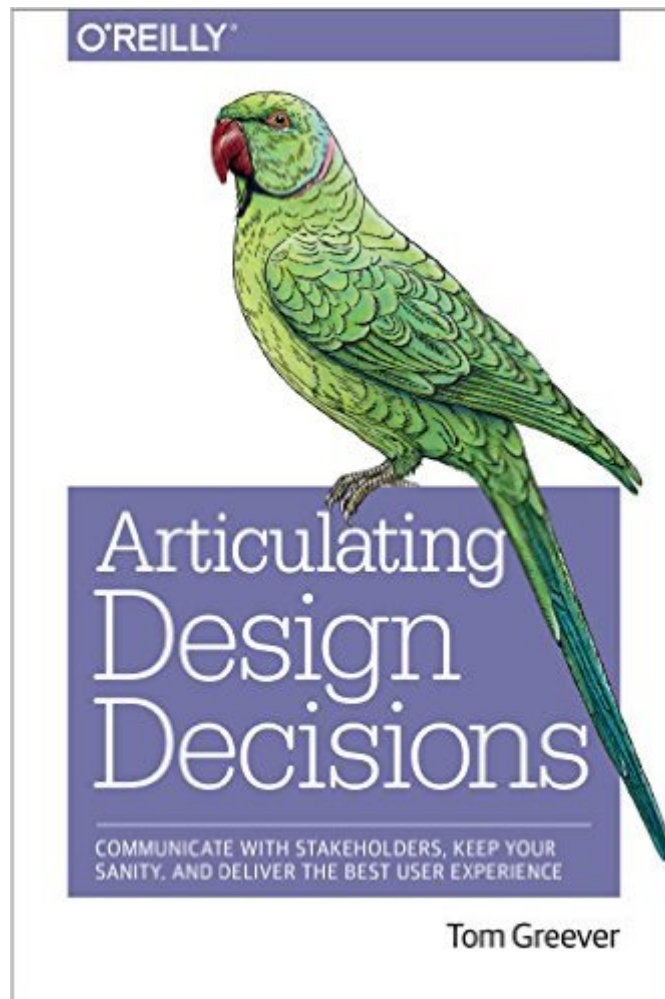


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# Articulating Design Decisions: Communicate With Stakeholders, Keep Your Sanity, And Deliver The Best User Experience



## Synopsis

Every designer has had to justify designs to non-designers, yet most lack the ability to explain themselves in a way that is compelling and fosters agreement. The ability to effectively articulate design decisions is critical to the success of a project, because the most articulate person often wins. This practical book provides principles, tactics, and actionable methods for talking about designs with executives, managers, developers, marketers, and other stakeholders who have influence over the project with the goal of winning them over and creating the best user experience.

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Informative; clearly written; and entertaining, *Articulating Design Decisions* is a must-read for front-end developers. If you sit down at 9, start programming, and clock out at 5 without ever communicating with anyone, then you don't need to read it. If you talk to stakeholders, managers, or non-engineer team members at any time during the day, you'll learn something from this book. Developers increasingly need to become good communicators for the same reason designers do. The industry is changing, the scope of our responsibilities is changing, and frankly we just can't get away with using big words to scare away stakeholders anymore. In the first couple chapters of the book, you'll learn why it's so important for you to communicate clearly. Most people will still assume an engineer knows better than them. Designers don't have this luxury, so they are forced to articulate their thoughts and choices in the way anyone working on a front-end project should. Clear communication will not only save time and effort, it will help you think more clearly. Stakeholders will

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