
Imposter Syndrome

Am I Faking It?

Scotland PHP - Saturday 8th November 2019

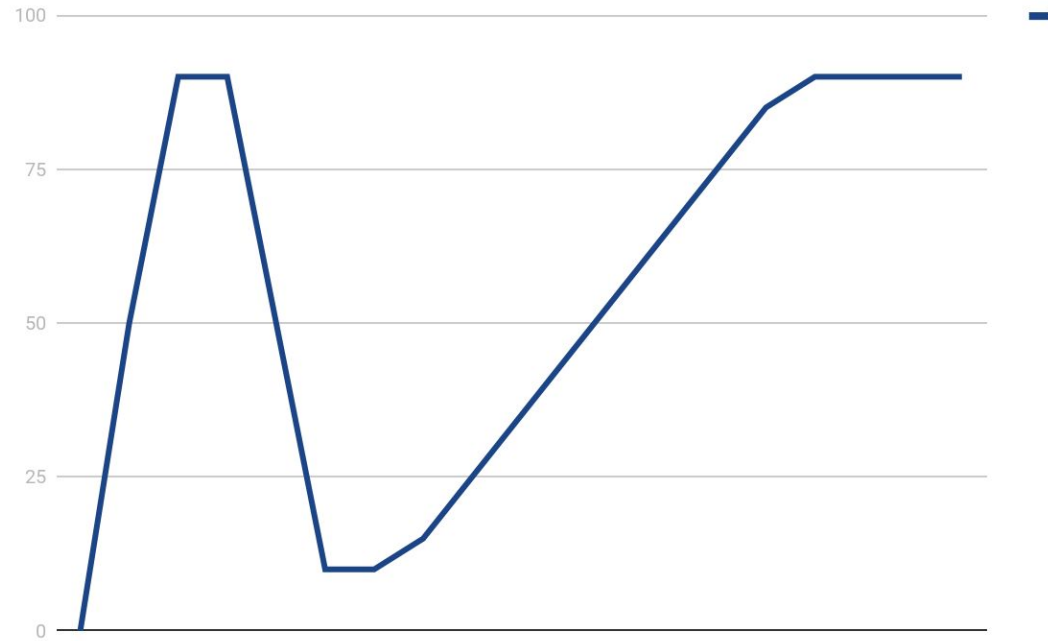
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What is imposter syndrome?

The obligatory Wikipedia Quote

“**Impostor syndrome** is a psychological phenomenon in which people are unable to internalize their accomplishments. Despite external evidence of their competence, those with the syndrome remain convinced that they are frauds and do not deserve the success they have achieved.”

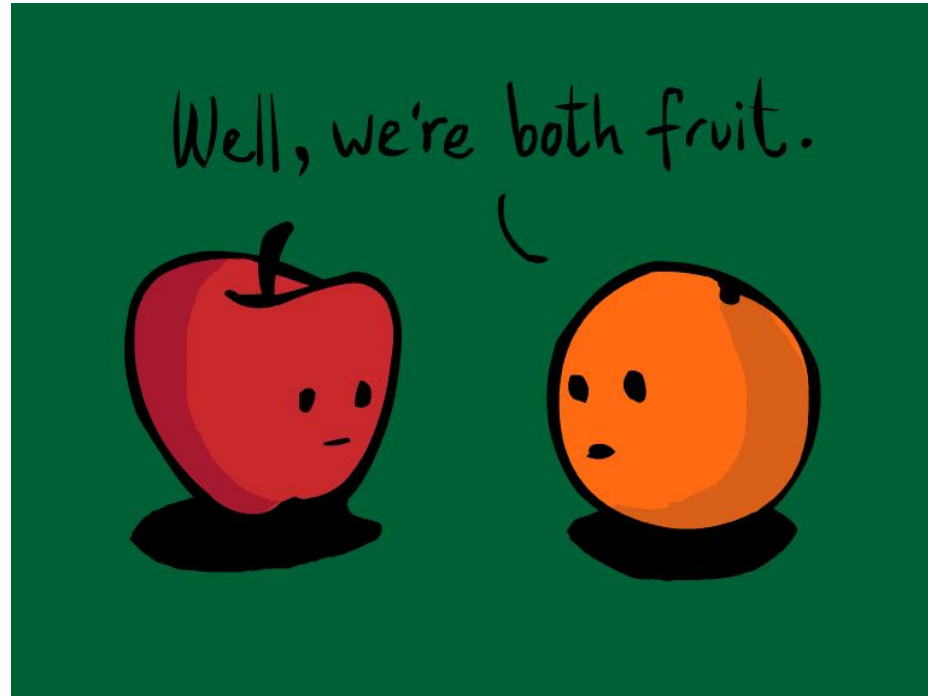
Learning Curve



**Why am I talking about
this?**

Why do people suffer?

Comparing yourself to others



How you learnt to program

Permie vs Contractor

Experience

Different Skill Set



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So much you “should” know



Symfony



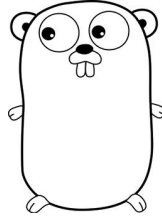
laravel



elastic



kafka



cassandra



VAGRANT

Poor Communication

Unconstructive Code Reviews



Matt Brunt
@Brunty

"This is shit, and this is shit. This is extra shit. I don't even know what this is..."

@asgrim @Ocranius



Lack Of Feedback



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Being Passionate

Triggers

Meetups & Conferences

Rafael Dohms

Someone getting your name wrong!

It should just work



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It would seem being to something will "just work" and then it not "just work" for you is a really good imposter syndrome trigger

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Applying For Jobs

Getting a talk accepted

**How Does It Affect People's
Ability To Do Their Job?**

**How do people cope with
it?**

Knowing

Back To Basics

Code Katas

Recruitment Tests

<https://github.com/braddle/recruitment-test>

Distractions

30 Minute Rule

Jeremy Coates

Celebrate your successes



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Very productive morning

+269 -1,922



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I just earned the 'God Save the Queen (Level 26)' badge on @untappd!



God Save the Queen (Level 26)

Mark earned a God Save the Queen (Level 26) on Untappd!
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@phpboyscout

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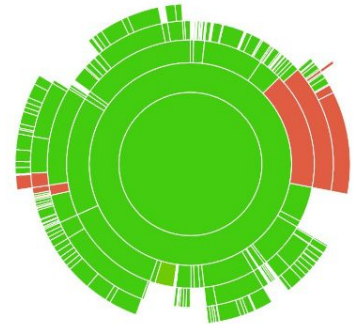
Time to board a plane for my first ever international speaking gig at #phpbn17



Stephen Ball
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Following

Almost there, 85.65%



Better Communication

Let's improve the feedback we give

Constructive Feedback

Better Code Reviews

Pair Programming

Mentoring / Coaching

Meetups & Conferences

Share

Blog / Talk / Video

Imposter Syndrome and Individual Competence

Jessica Rose

<https://youtu.be/takIO4YIMow>

Open Sourcing Mental Illness

<https://osmihelp.org/>

Questions?

Thank you

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