



User Story vs Use Case

User Story

A User Story uses natural language to describe a user need.

Example

A user needs to be able to search for a specific character and replace it with a different character in a word processing application.

Use Case

A Use Case describes the detailed behavior required to meet the user need.

Example

- **Name:** Search and Replace
- **Description:** within the application, the user searches for a specific character within the current document and replaces it with a different character
- **Actors:** business user
- **Business rules/validation:** not applicable
- **Main process flow:**
 1. open the Search/Replace function
 2. enter the character to be searched for and replaced
 3. enter the new character that overwrites the old character
- **Alternate/exception process flow:** not applicable
- **Notes:** none
- **Screen mock-up:** see figure 3.2