



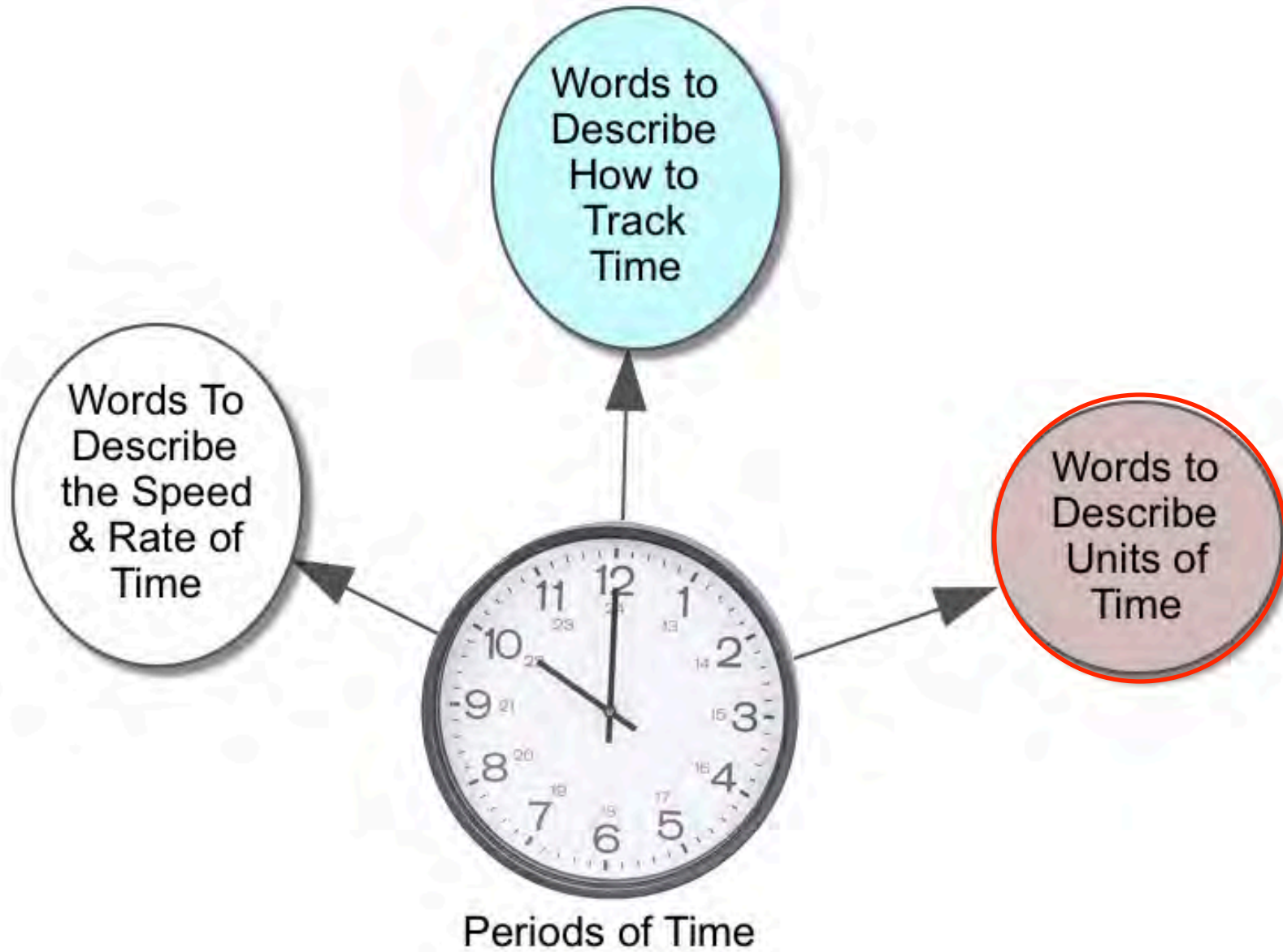
# Periods of Time

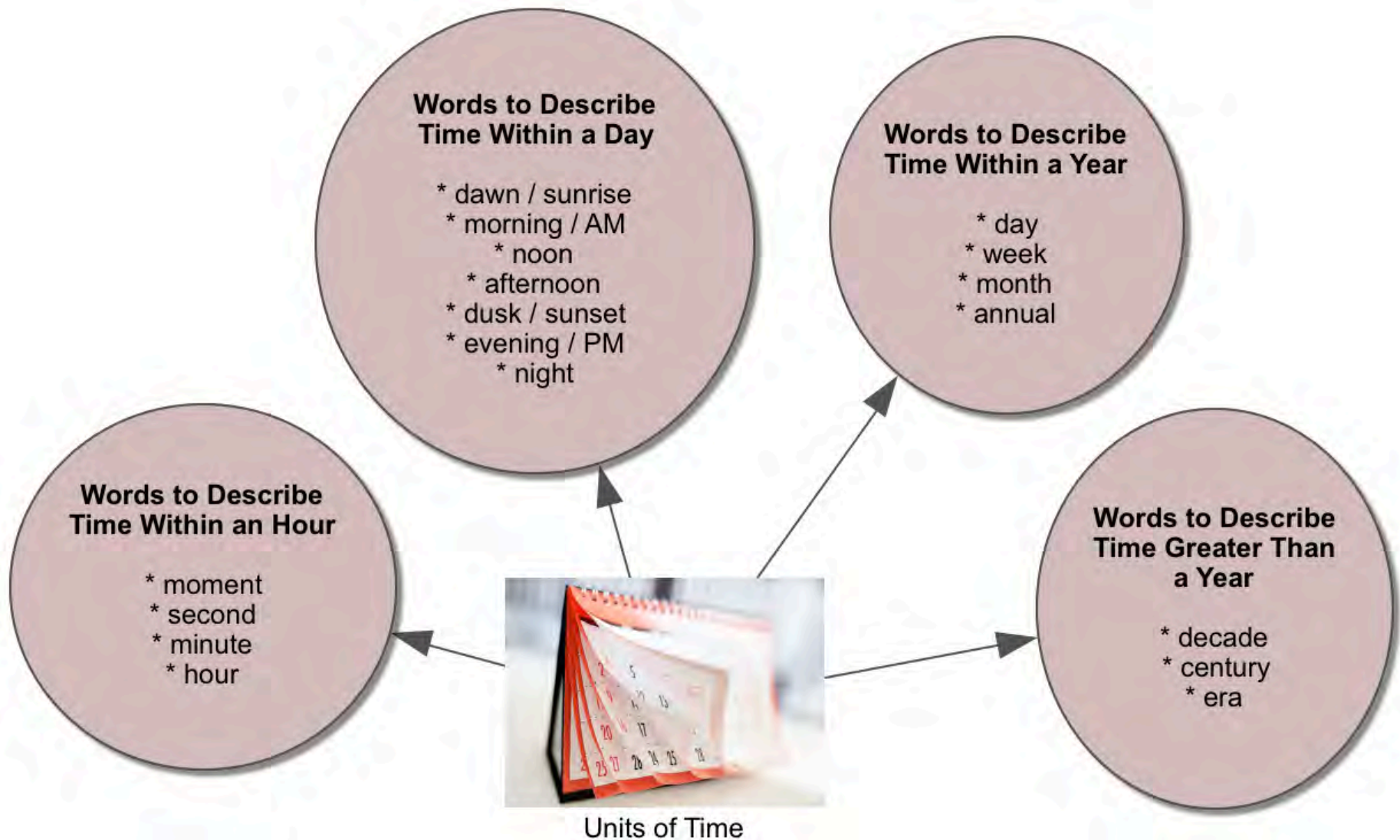
## Units of Time



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A *moment* is a very brief amount of time. You might be asked to hold a door for a moment.



**moment**  
(mo·ment)



**second**  
(sec·ond)

The winning runner ran her  
race in less than 13 *seconds*!



# minute (mi·nute)

The movie will be 120 minutes long. A *minute* is sixty seconds. There are sixty minutes in an hour.



**sunrise**  
(sun·rise)

**dawn**  
(dawn)



They fished off the dock at *sunrise*.



**morning**  
(morn·ing)

**A.M.**  
(A·M)

We make pancakes for  
breakfast in the morning.  
Another name for *morning* is  
*A.M.*





**noon**  
(noon)

On a half day of school, the students get out at *noon*.





# afternoon (af·ter·noon)

The father naps with his baby in the *afternoon*.



**dusk**  
(dusk)

**sunset**  
(sun·set)

The sky was pink at *dusk*.



**evening**  
(eve·ning)

**P.M.**  
(P·M)



In the *evening*, I caught some fireflies. Another name for evening is *P.M.*



**night**  
(night)

Daily

On a clear *night*, the stars shine brightly.



Yearly



**day**  
(day)

A *day* is 24 hours long. There are 365 days in the year.  
What day is your birthday?



# week (week)

A *week* is seven days long. There are 52 weeks in a year.



Yearly

The year is divided into 12 *months*.

We celebrate African Americans during Black History Month each February.

**month**  
(month)





Yearly



# annual

(an·nu·al)

Pets should have annual checkups with a veterinarian.

The word *annual* means every year.

# decade

(dec·ade)

Disco dancing was most popular during the decade between 1960 and 1970.

*A decade* is a period of ten years.

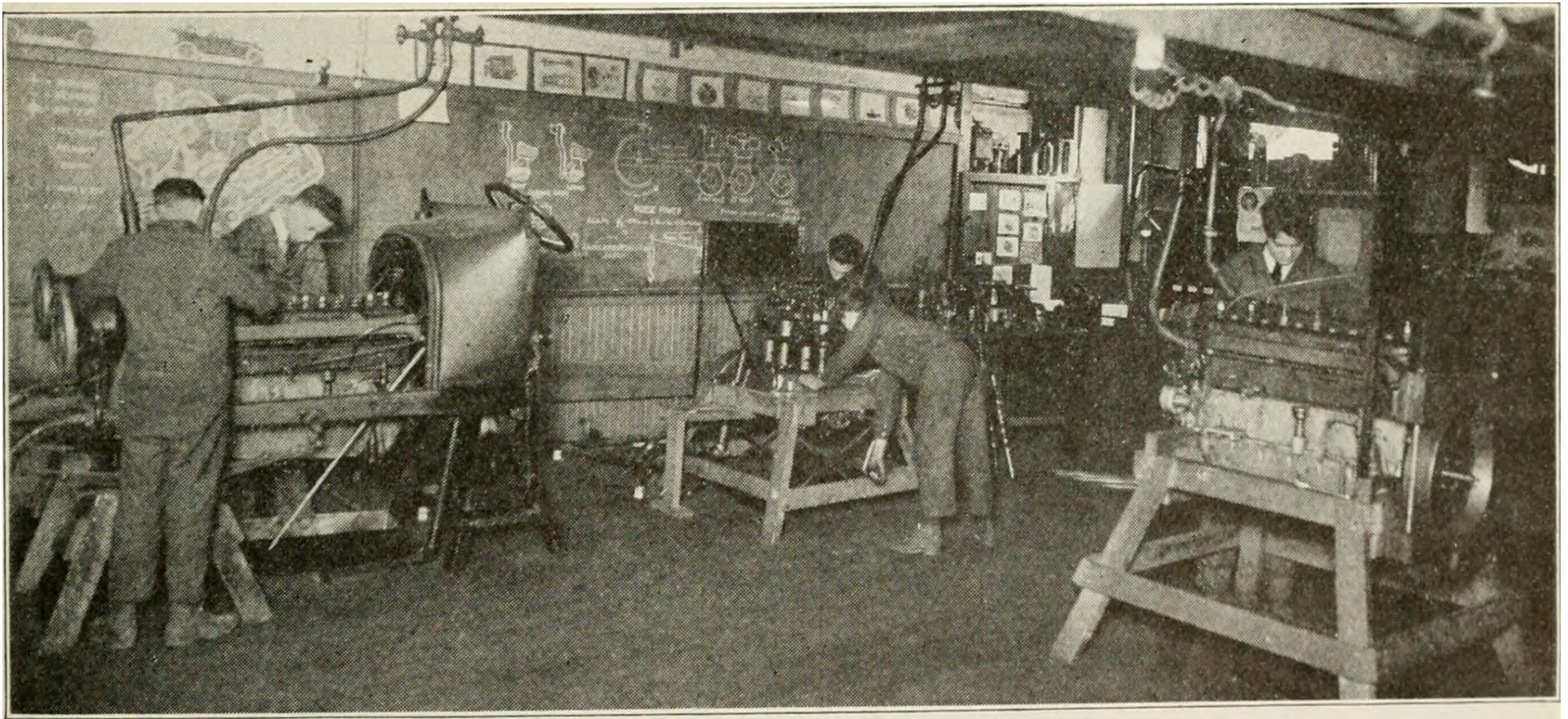
Greater Than a Year





# century (cen·tu·ry)

A *century* is a period of 100 years.  
Machines made work quicker and cheaper  
during the 20<sup>th</sup> century.





**era**  
(e·ra)

An *era* is a major, or very long, period of time.

The dinosaurs walked the earth during the Mesozoic Era.

