



Give

Exceptional Expressions For Everyday Events

The OXFORD ENGLISH DICTIONARY contains dozens of definitions for **give**. The most common definition, however, is the physical transfer of an object. In a classroom, the teacher may ask students to give their permission slips to the class leader. A student may ask a friend to give him or her the ball while playing a game.

In addition to its use for physical objects, **give** can refer to the transfer of ideas. For example, a parent might say, “Give me a good reason for why you are late!” A teacher may ask students to “Give an example of this word in a sentence.”

Follow-Ups

- What is the difference between presenting an award and offering a reward?
- Would you grant a favor or assign a favor to a friend?
- If you donate an object, do you expect to receive money in exchange for it?

The Spanish Connection

Give comes from an Old English word with German roots. The Spanish word for **to give** is *dar*. The Spanish word for **give** is not a cognate. However, some of the synonyms for give have Spanish cognates such as **transmit** and *transmitir*.

Word Changes

- **Misgive** as a verb, meaning to raise doubt or fear, is today archaic or rarely used. A few members of its morphological family, however, are still common. For example, the noun **misgiving** is a feeling or thought of mistrust, apprehension, or loss of confidence.
- Some synonyms for **give** have technical definitions specific to science and other content areas. For example, in describing a flu virus transferred from person to person, **transfer** refers to the movement of a disease.
- A person's **given name** is the person's name or names bestowed upon him or her, rather than passed on by birth. The **given name** is in contrast to a person's family name or surname, which is inherited. A **given name** is also distinct from a nickname, which is less formal.



Give



Give as in to give off

- emit
- discharge
- secrete
- produce

Give as a scientific term

- transmit
- transfer

Give as in to give something to someone

- provide
- offer
- present
- furnish
- bestow
- grant
- award
- confer
- assign
- allot
- donate
- bequeath
- impart
- pass
- yield



Give

IDIOMS

- Give birth/rise to
- Give or take
- Give and take
- Give notice
- Give (someone) a hard time
- Give way
- Give it up for
- Give up/in
- What gives?
- Give a once over
- Give a hoot
- Give it a whirl
- Give thanks

COMMON PHRASES

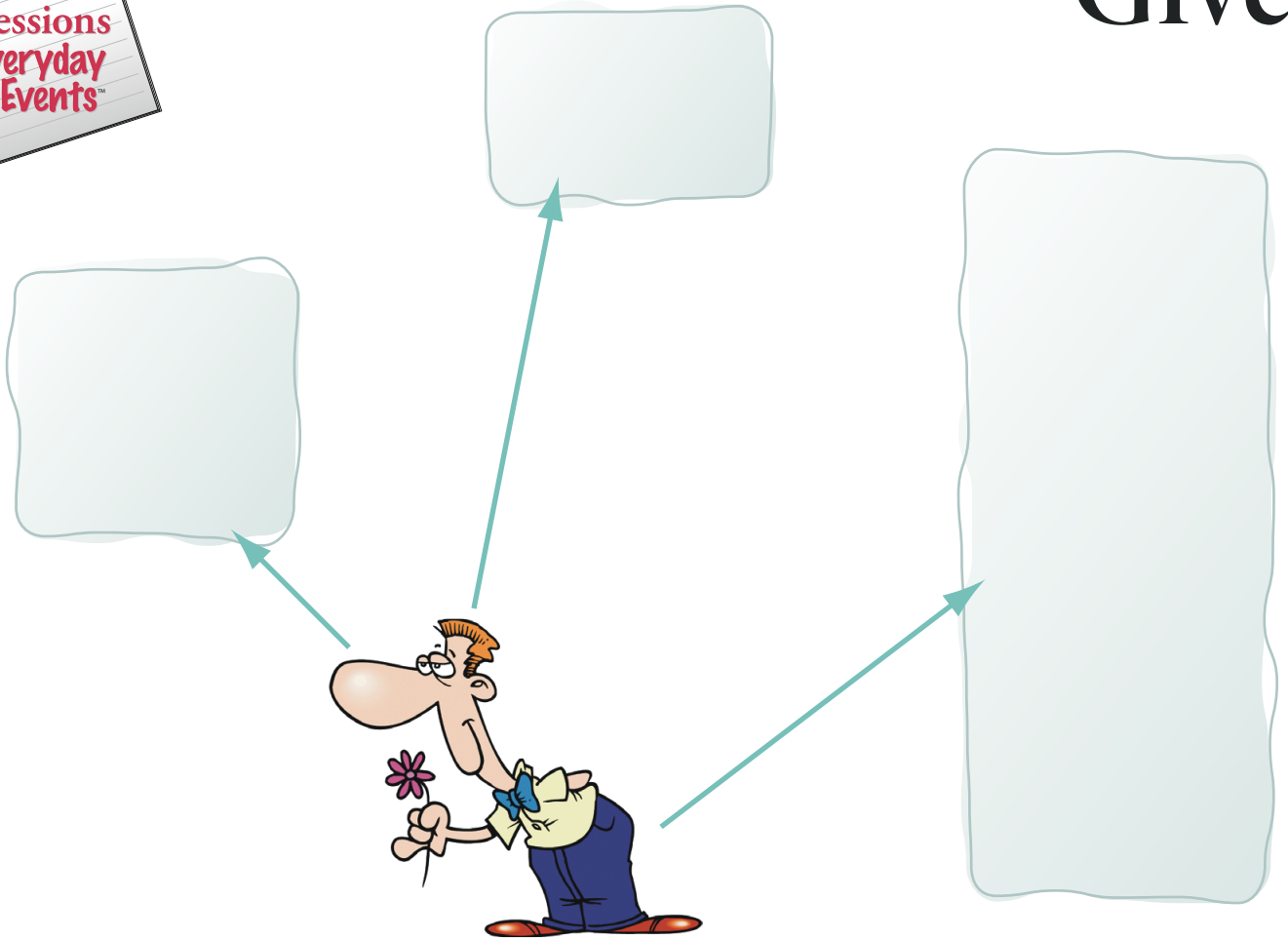
- Give over
- Give out
- Send out
- Give away
- Give off
- Give back

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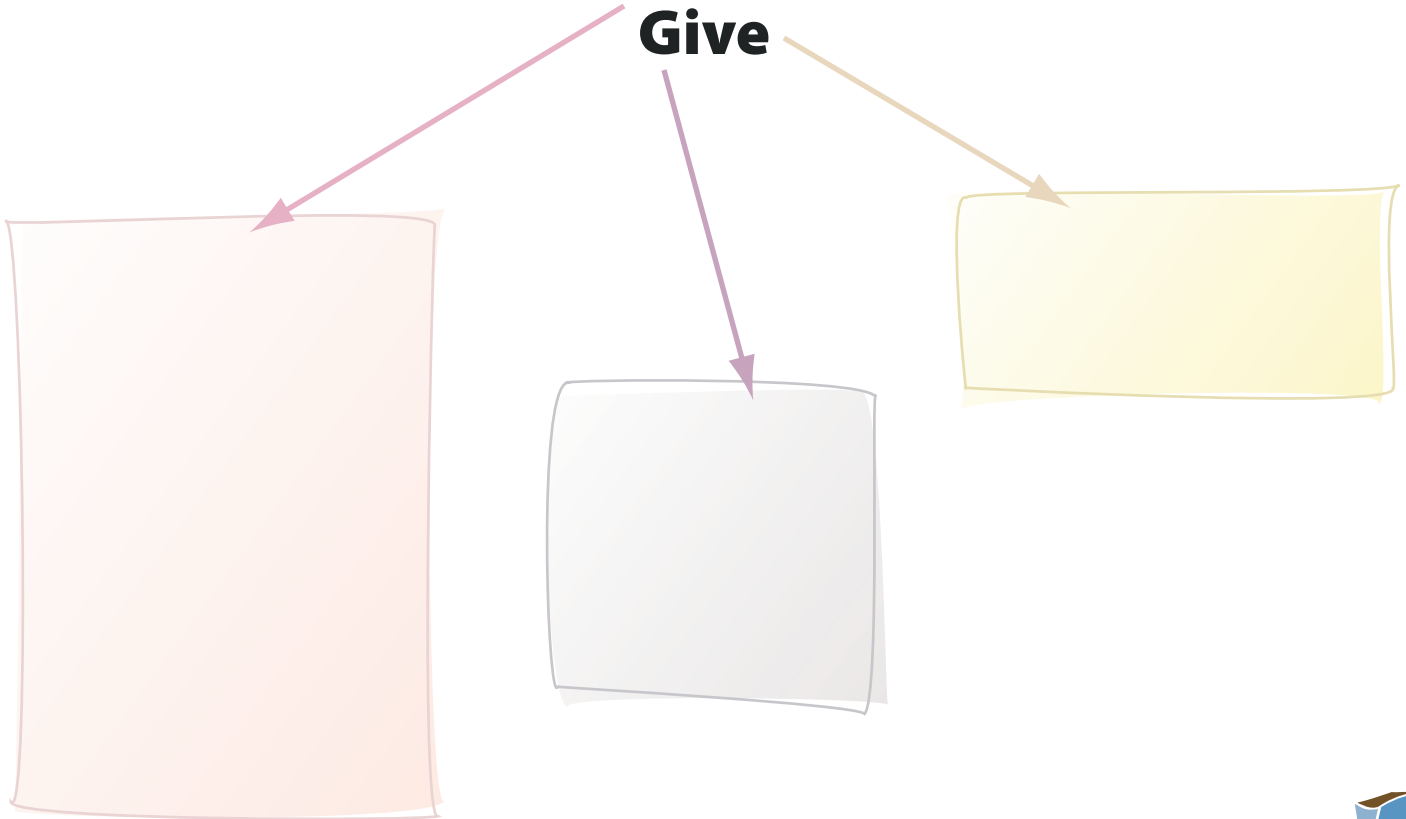
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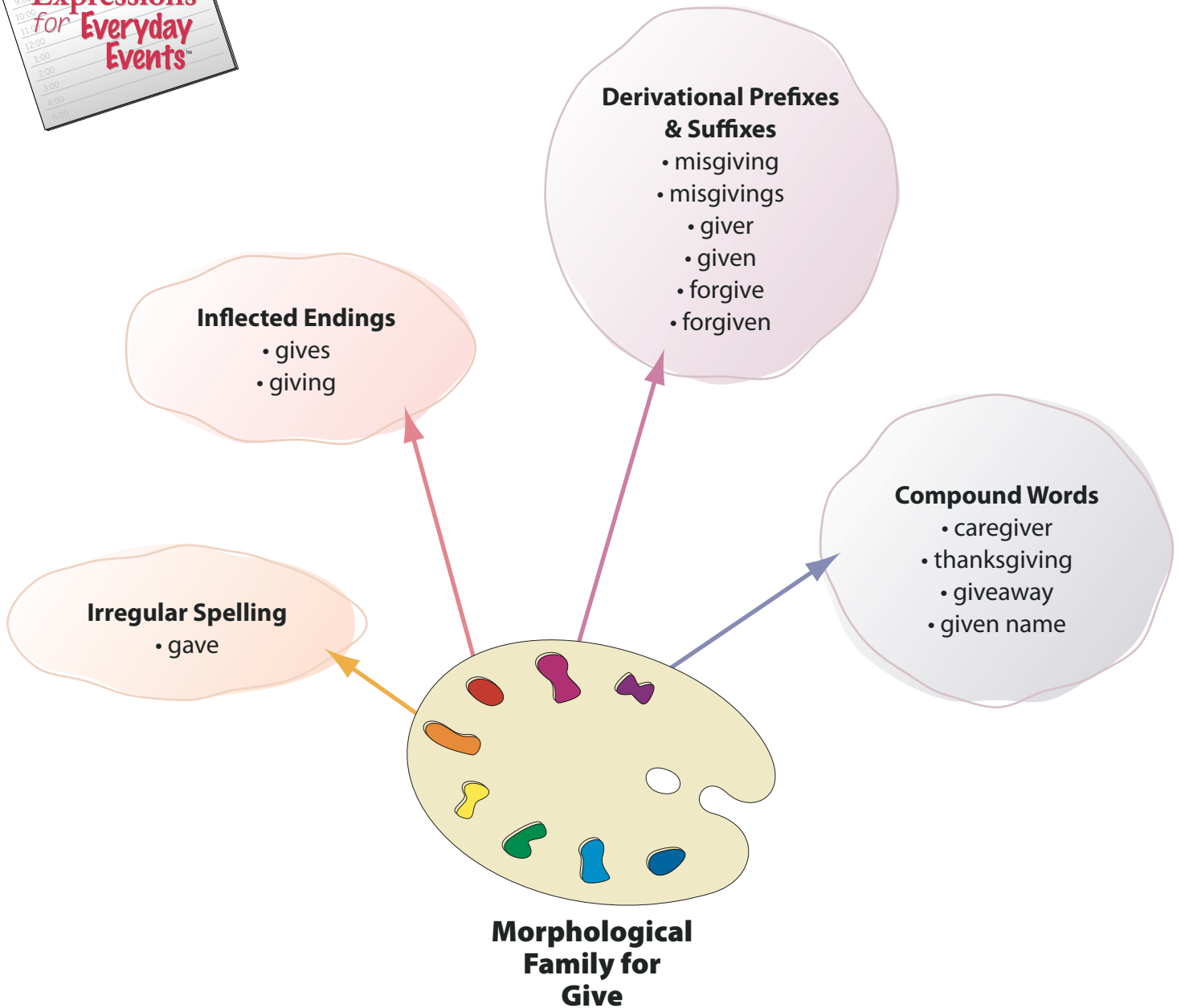
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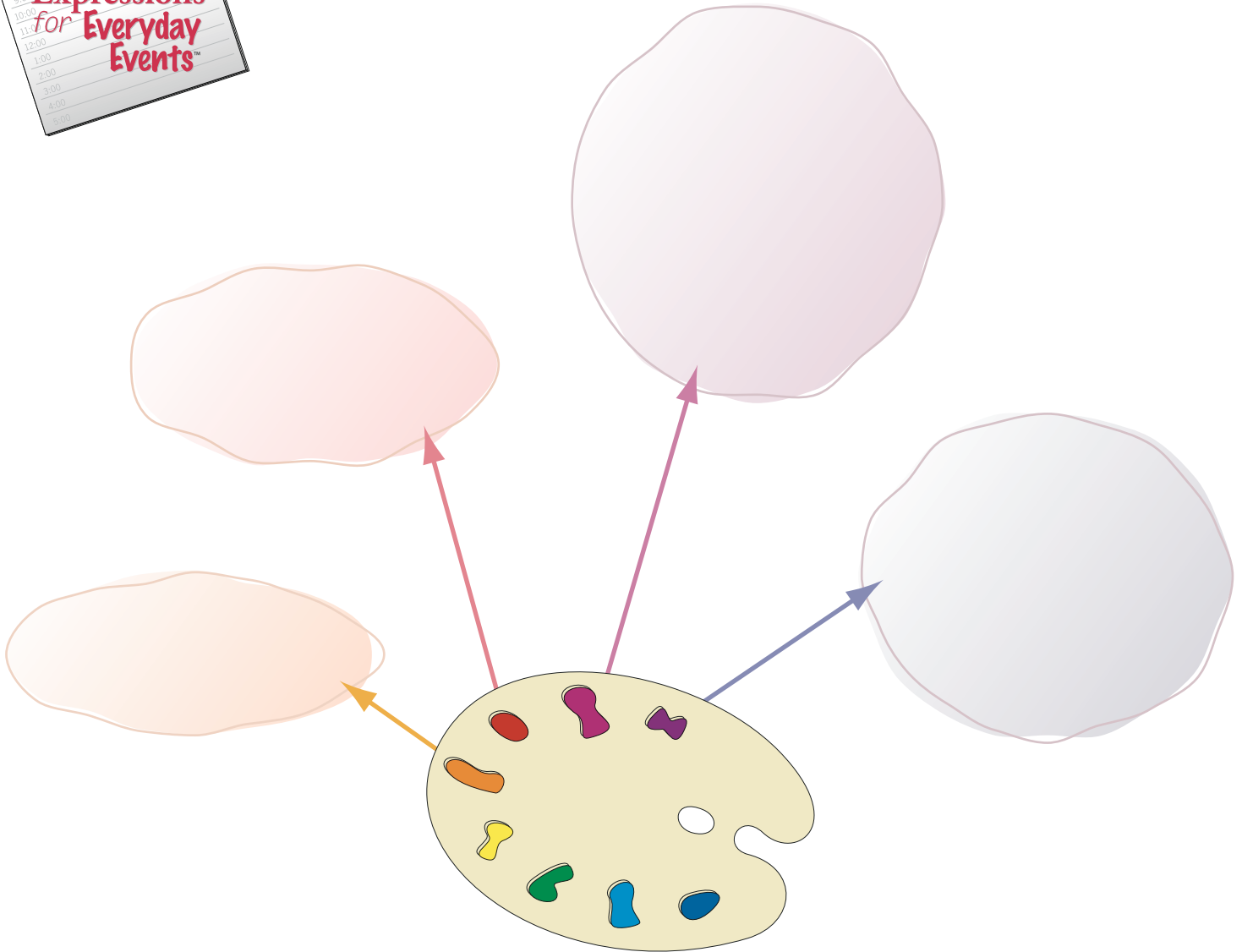
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