Process and estimation

Software engineering process:

Through what process do you make the software?

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- Don’t spend money recklessly
- Make money by building something people want to buy

Make sure the company survives

How is the software engineering process different at e.g., Google or Microsoft?

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It’s a framework that historically works ok for startups
Having a framework is remarkably helpful

Let’s think through agile software development principles

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- “Agile processes promote sustainable development. The sponsors, developers, and users should be able to maintain a constant pace indefinitely”

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What counts as good code?
Who owns the code?

Agile practice

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Exercise: you're an early hire and this is the situation. What do you think?

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Let's think about what's important (Remember, what do we care most about?)

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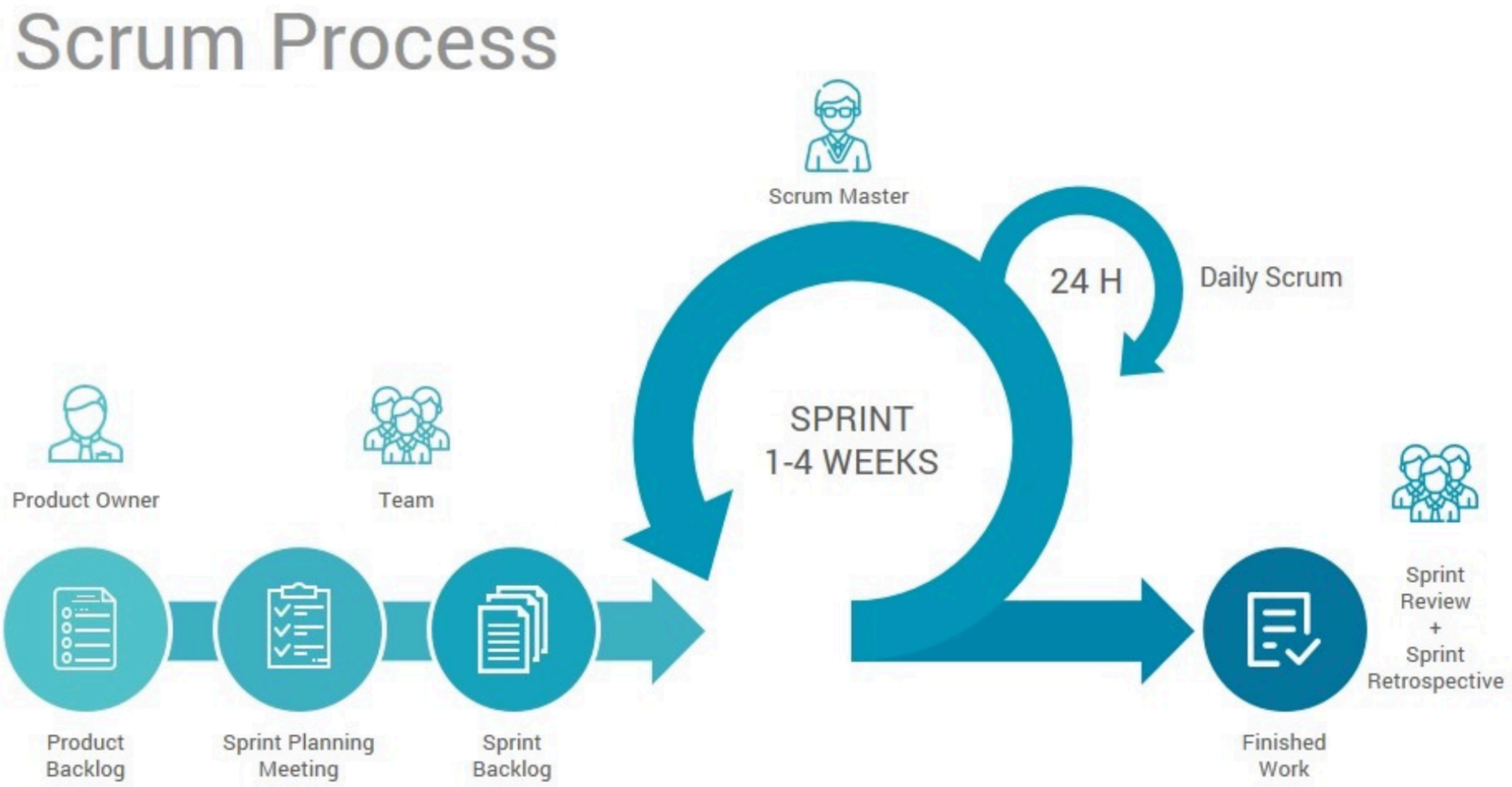
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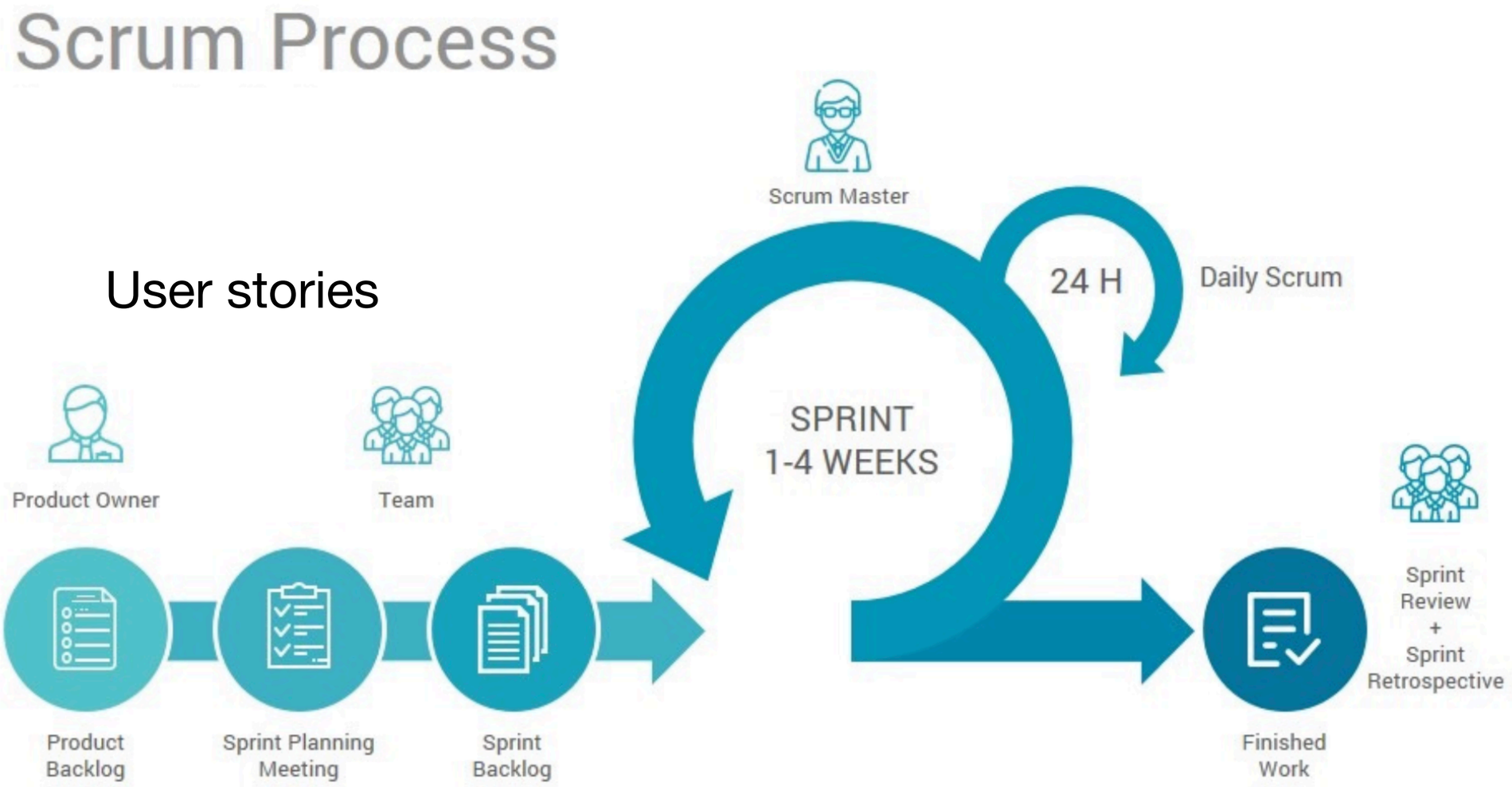
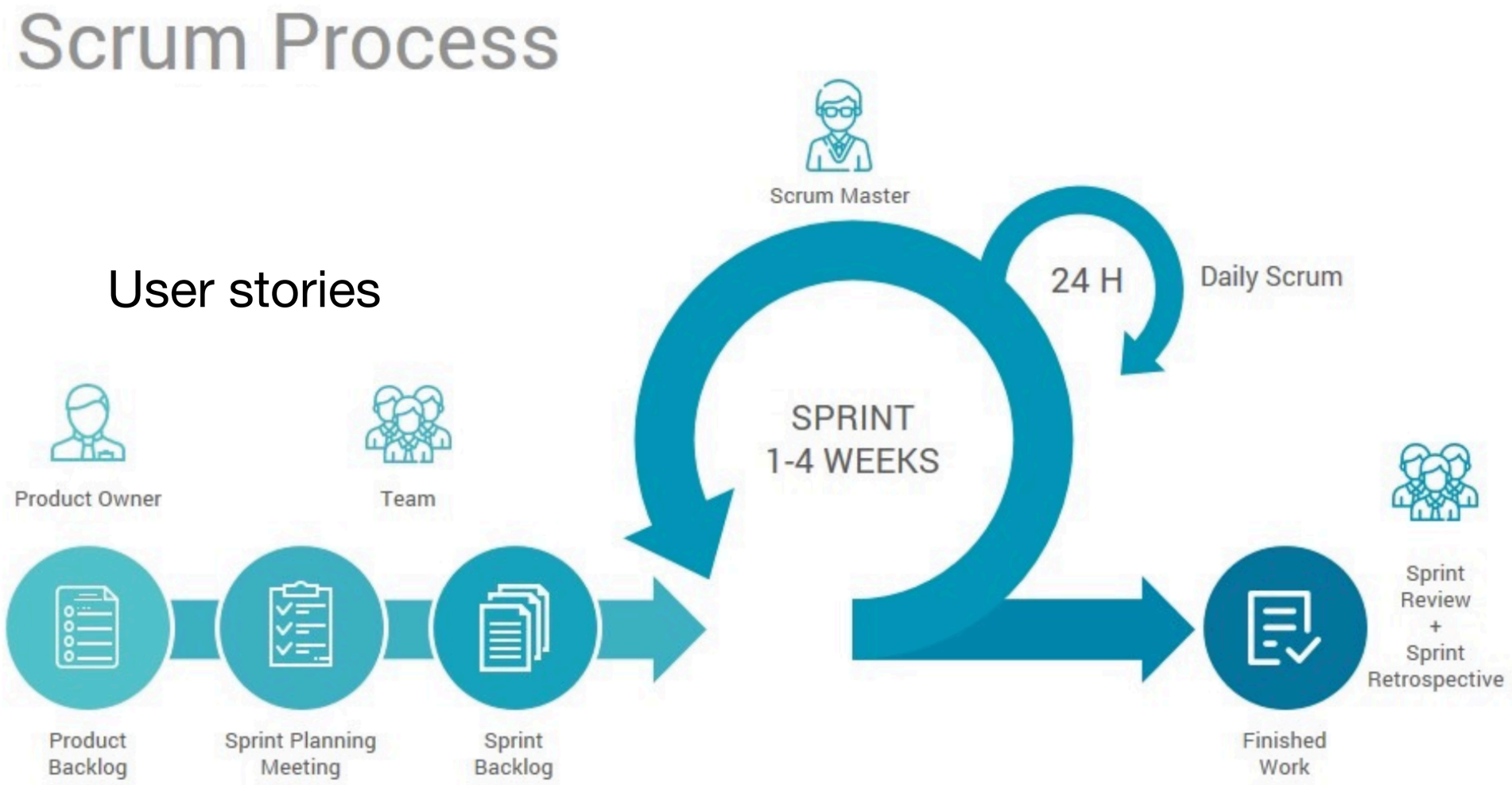


User stories

Why do we care about user stories again?



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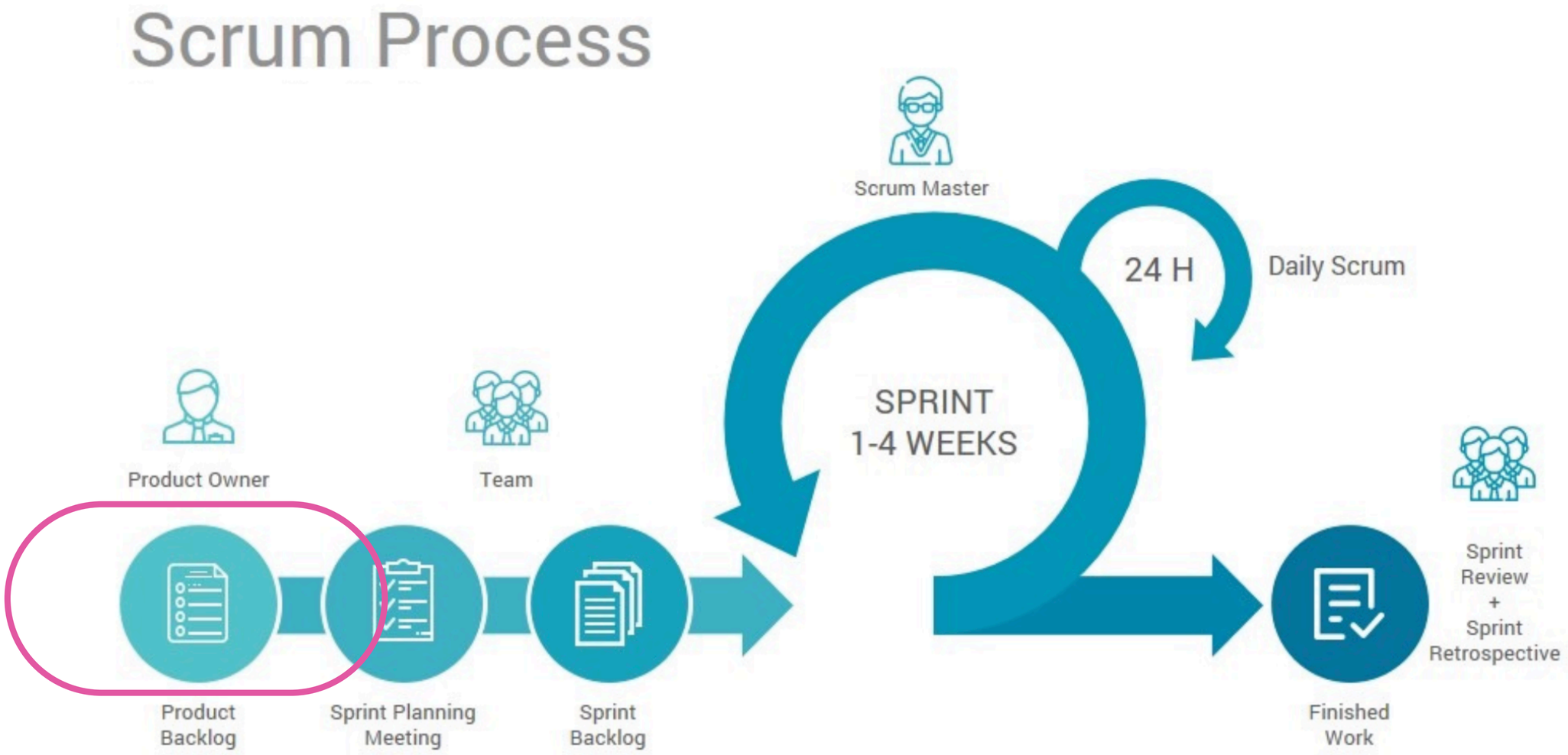
Product backlog



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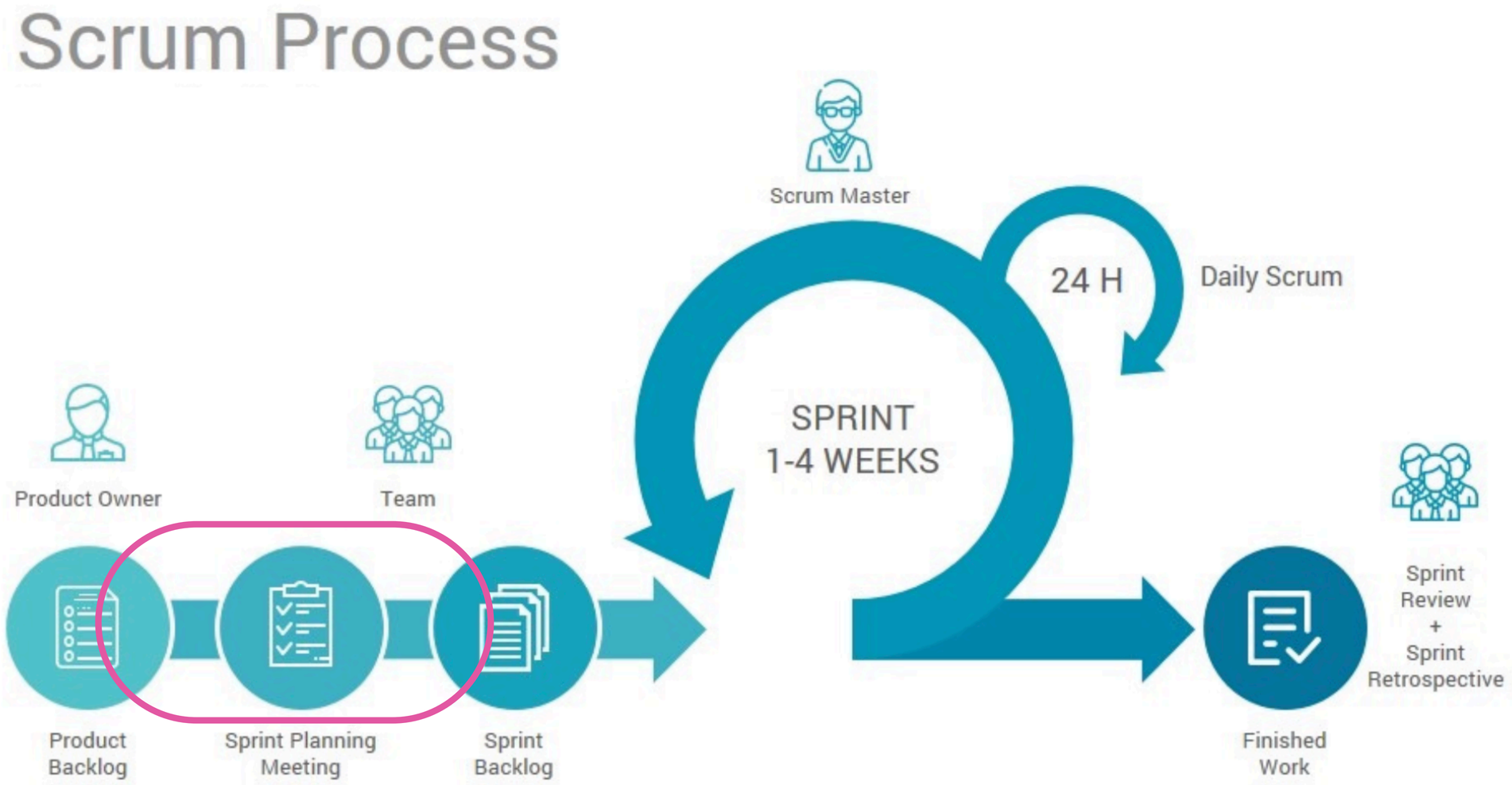

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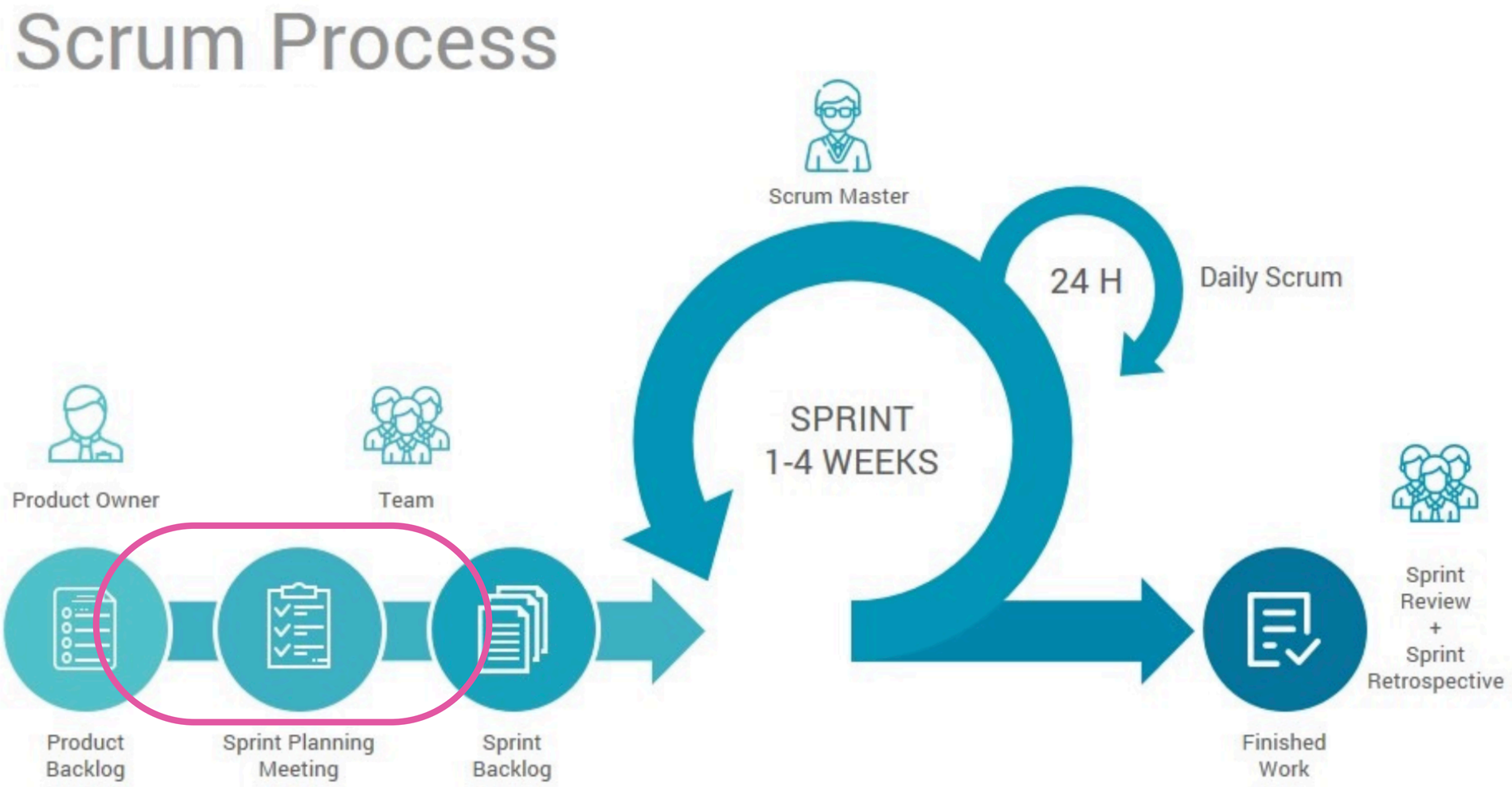

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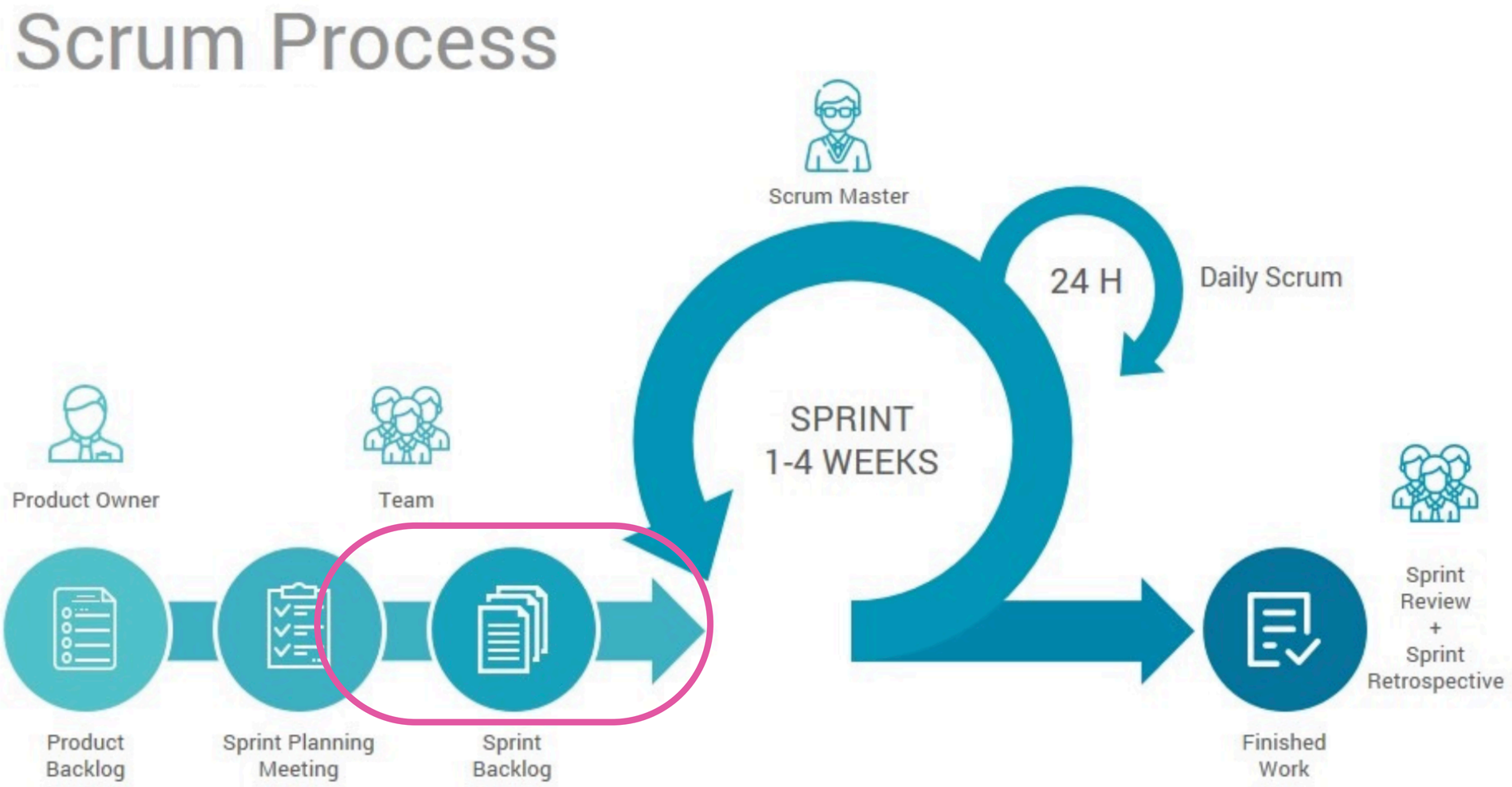

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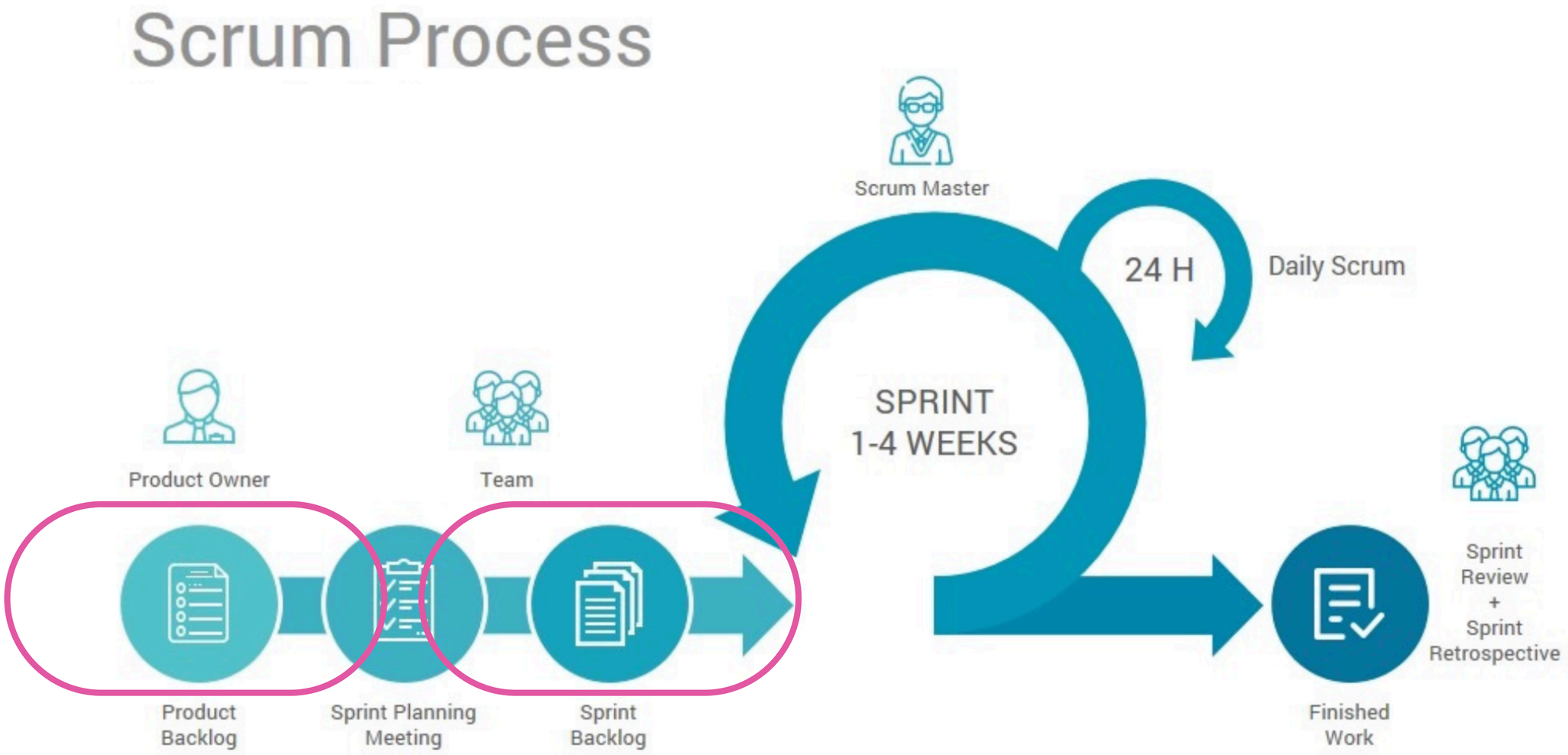
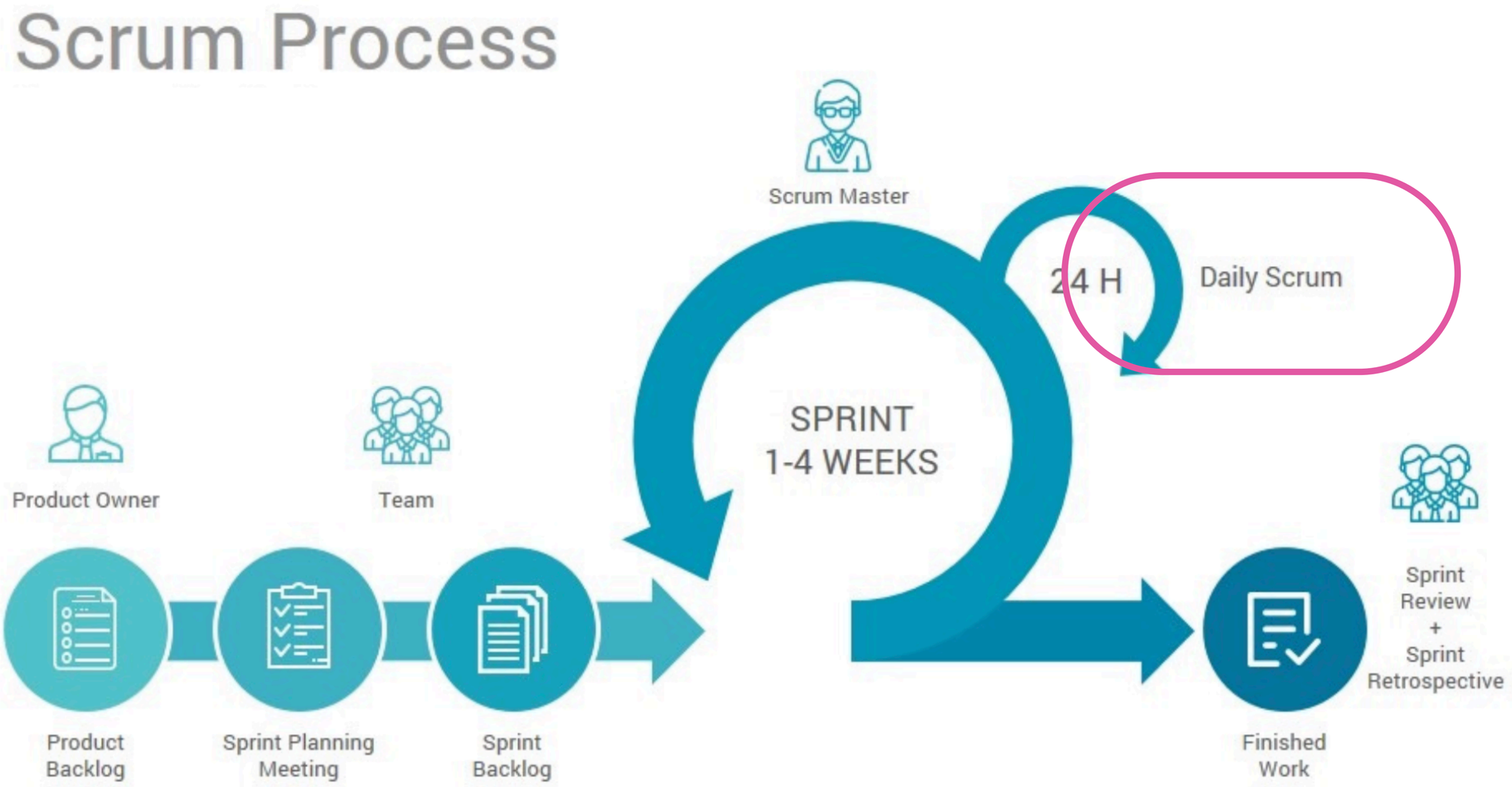


Daily scrum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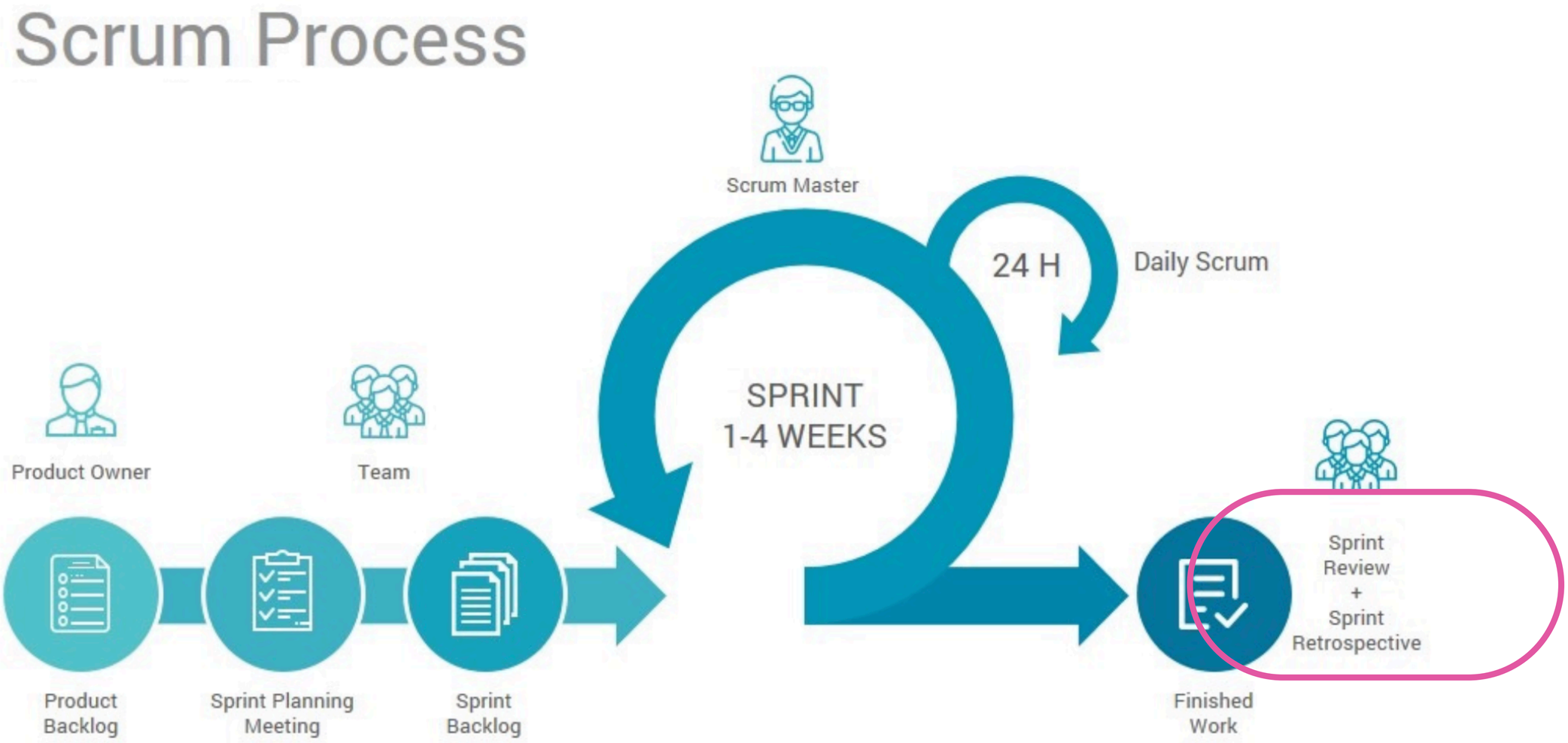

What could we do instead?