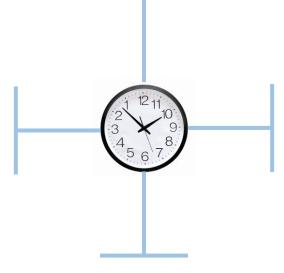# Ideal Time

The amount of time it takes to complete a piece of work

Converting ideal time to elapsed time depending on the amount of time spent working and on distractions

Estimation is challenging because it is tough to estimate distractions

Only considers actual work time, not the distractions

Comparing Ideal Time To Story Points

Story Points – The points assigned to a user story cover the complete effort of user story completion; **it's not broken into components!!!**

Story Points Estimation

1. Difficult to explain outside the team
2. Greater chance of converging estimates
3. Low time for estimation
4. Estimates are not comparable across teams
5. Drives cross functional behavior
6. Story point estimates do not decay

Ideal Time Estimation

1. Easier to explain outside the team
2. Converted estimates will differ across teams
3. Easier to estimate at the project's initial stage
4. Helpful in understanding the wasted time
5. Takes more time