# Memory Systems

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### Outline

Multiple types; multiple time scales

Two types of long term stores

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Under the hood: Declarative memory

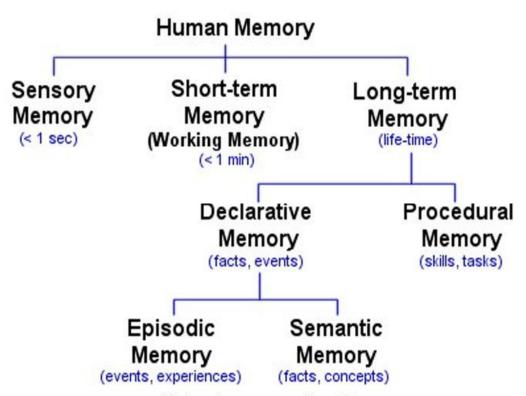
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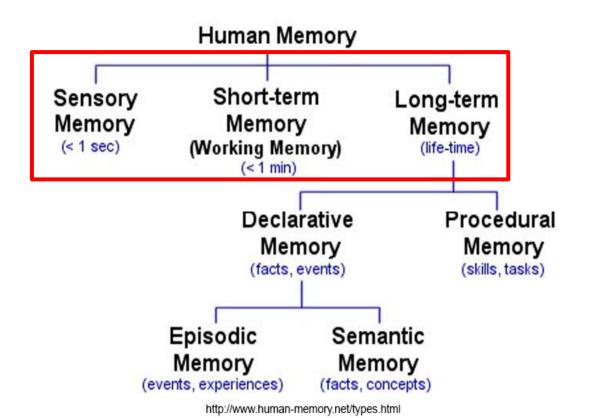
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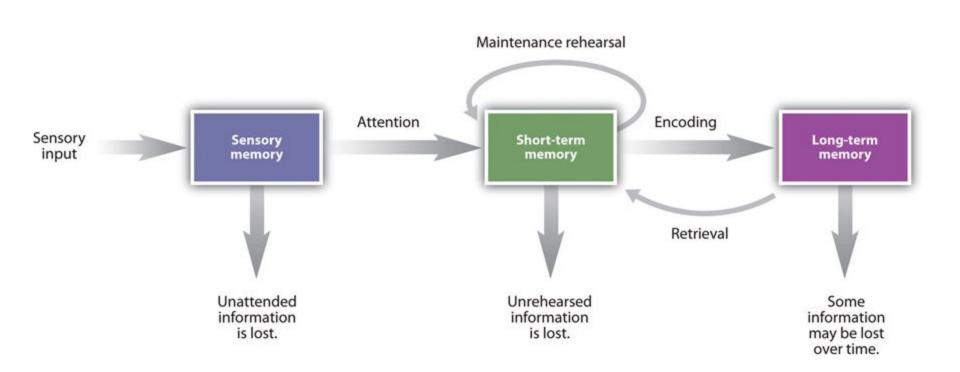
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Seconds - minutes:

Working memory

Minutes - hours:

Days - years:

Long term memory

Short term memory

Seconds - minutes:

S: Working memory (Keep it in mind)

Minutes - hours:

Short term memory
(Easy come, easy go)
(bring back to mind)

Days - years:

Long term memory
(Hard earned, well kept)
(bring back to mind)

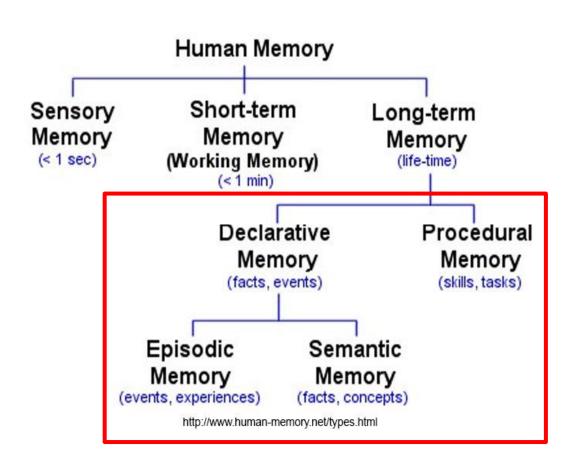
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### Declarative

Semantic:

"mitochondria is the powerhouse of the cell"

Facts:

Episodic:

Events:

"Last year's thanksgiving when Uncle Bob burnt the turkey"

### Non-Declarative

Procedural:

How to ride a bike

Classical Conditioning:

The Coke "PsssCH" and thirst

Instrumental Conditioning:

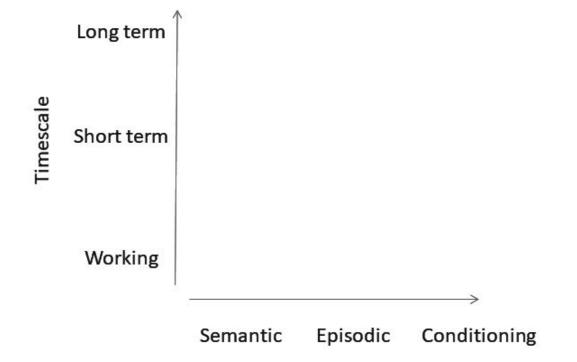
Cat learning to open screen door

Priming:

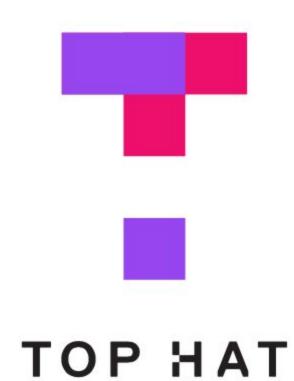
Scared of your basement when it's dark

Spatial:

Navigating from your apt. to classroom



Temporal scale and content are orthogonal



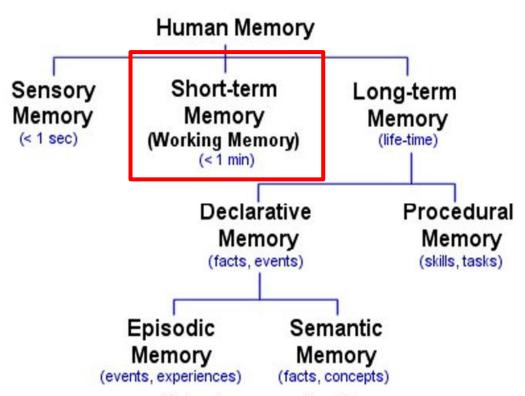
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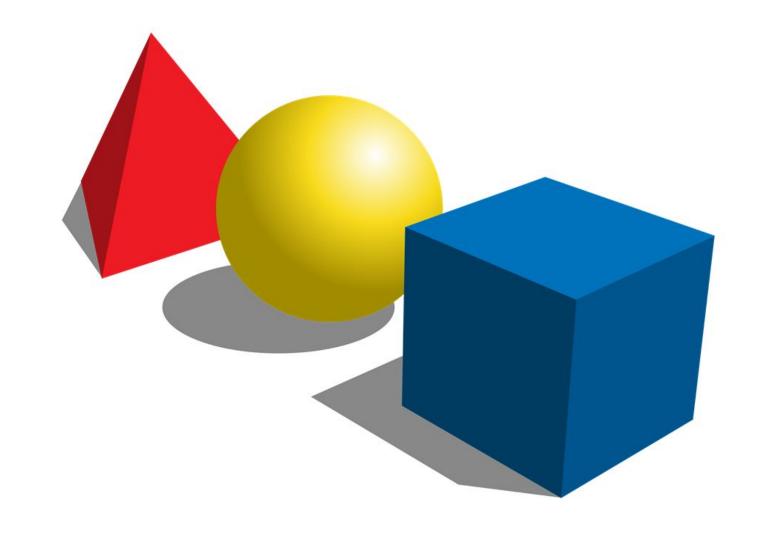
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# Visuo-spatial

(Remember these shapes)



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What shape was the center object?

What color was the leftmost object?

# Phonological Loop

(Remember these numbers)

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What were the numbers?

### **Central Executive**

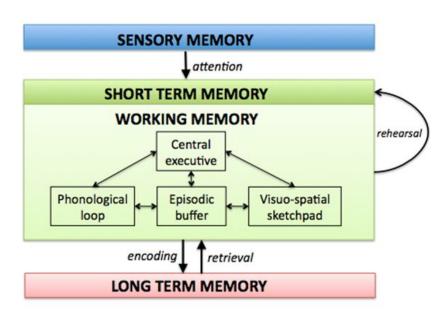
What was the sum of the numbers in the 1's place?

# Baddeley's Model

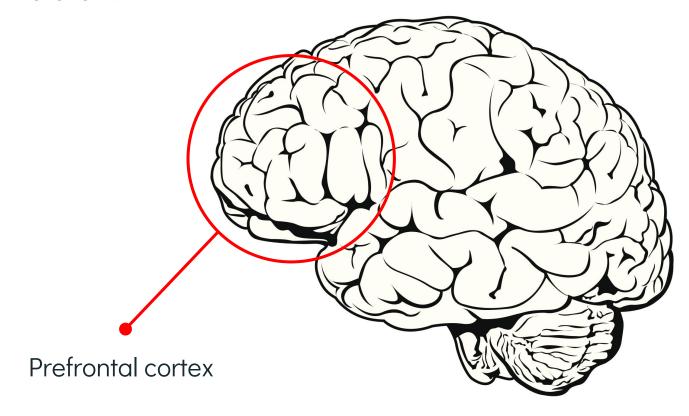
Active maintenance of stimuli

Visuo-spatial sketchpad: (e.g., colored shapes)

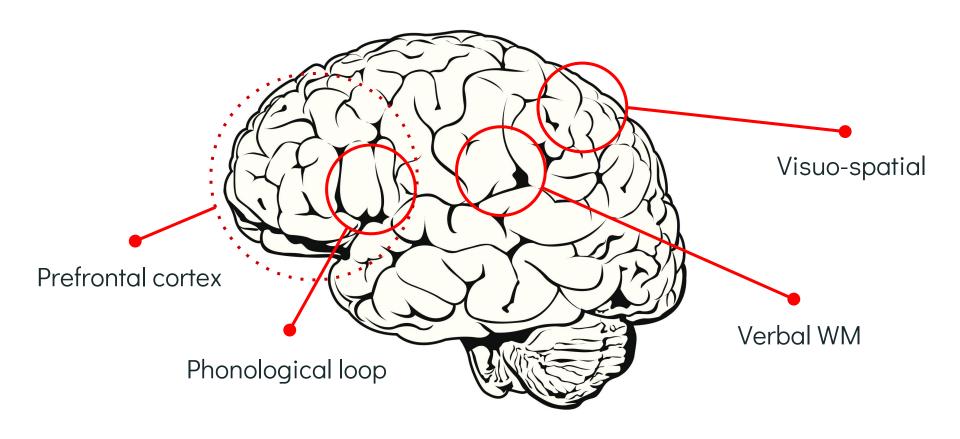
Phonological loop: (e.g., Digits)



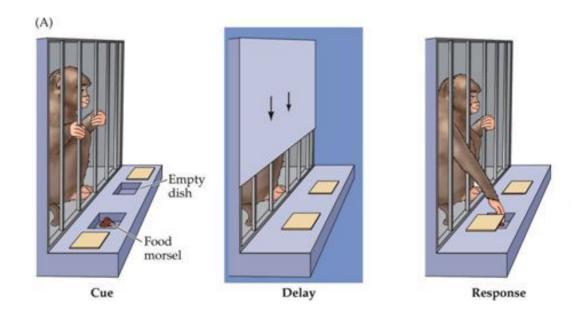
#### Where is it...?



But damage to these regions also impairs...



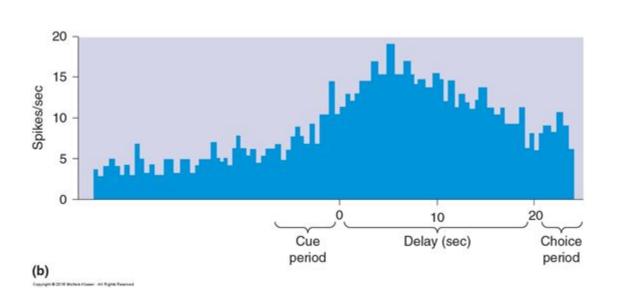
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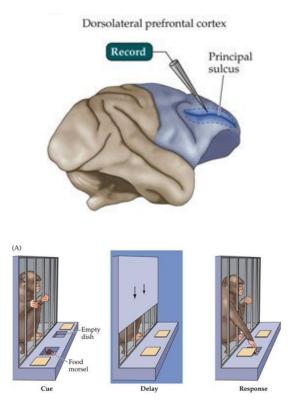


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# Recap...

WM allows you to **manipulate and maintain** information in "Mind"

Has a **limited capacity**: 7±2 "items"

Whole brain may be involved, but mostly **prefrontal cortex** is implicated

Sustained activation is a potential mechanism

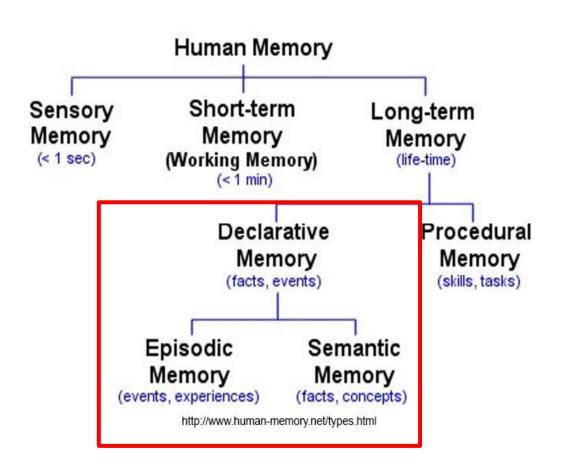
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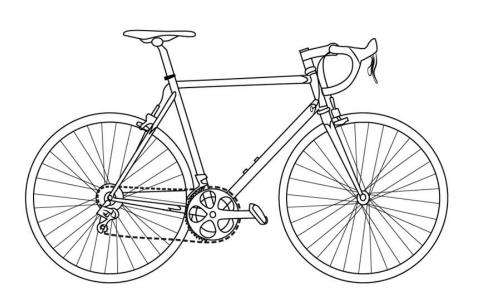
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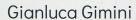














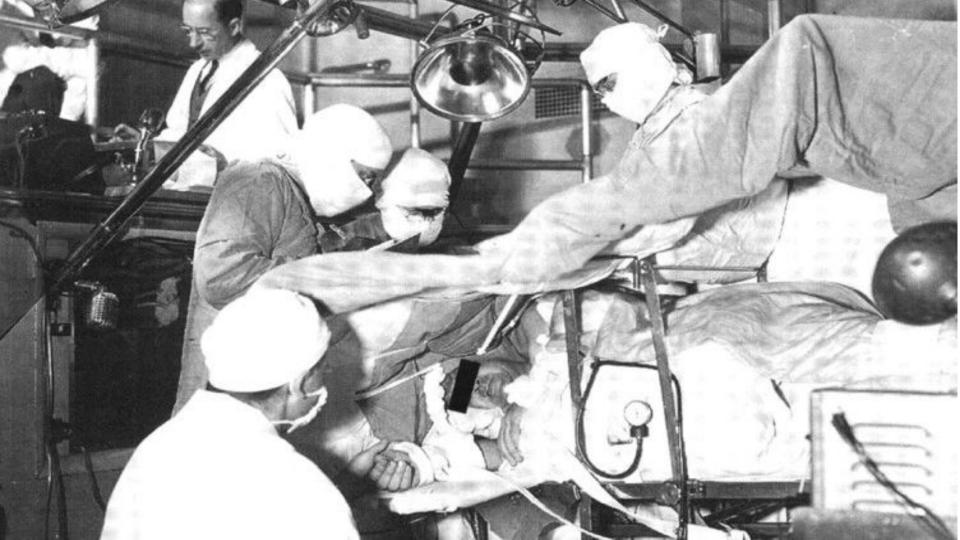
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Memory is sparse; memory is fallible

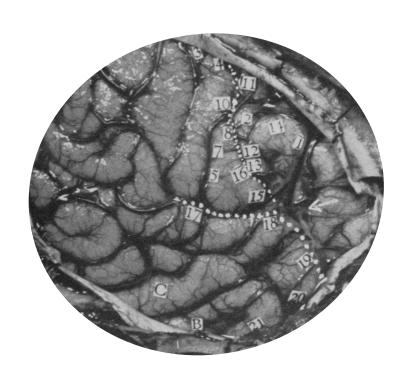
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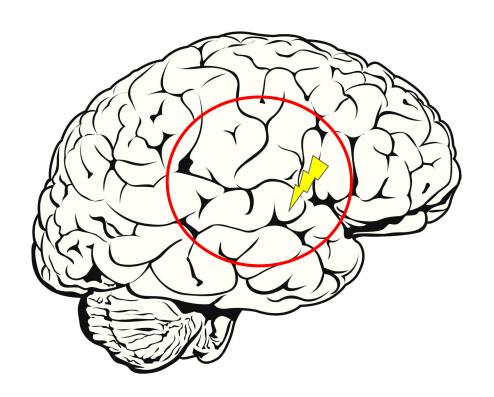
**Episodic** (Do you remember the first time you rode a bike?)

**Semantic** (How many wheels does a unicycle have?)



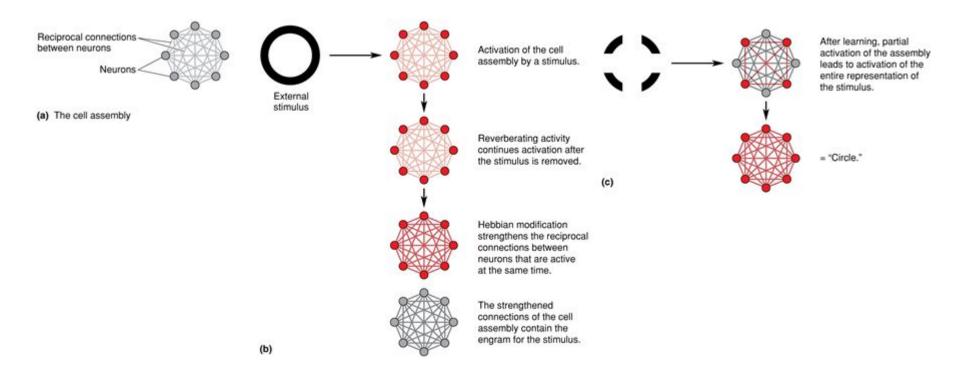
### **TL Stimulation**





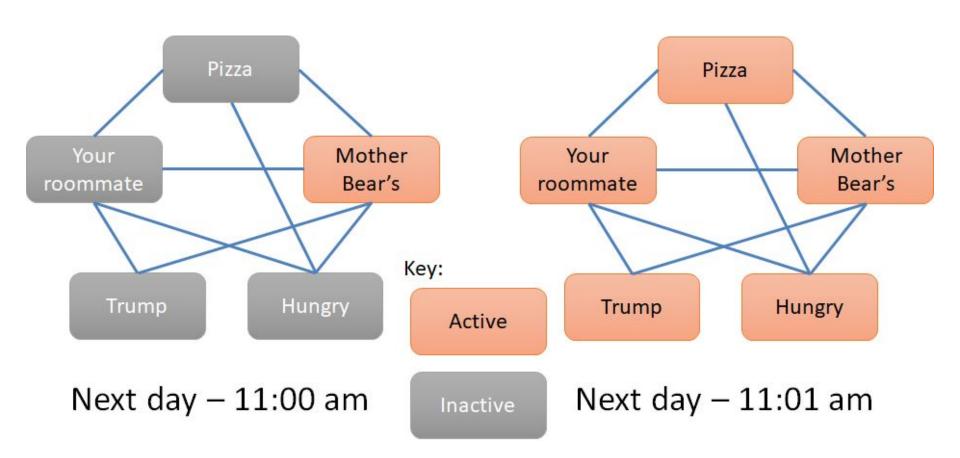
At the time of operation, stimulation of a point on the anterior part of the first temporal convolution on the right caused him [the patient] to say, "I feel as though I were in the bathroom at school." Five minutes later, after negative stimulations elsewhere, the electrode was reapplied near the same point. The patient then said something about "street corner." The surgeon asked him, "where" and he replied, "South Bend, Indiana, corner of Jacob and Washington." When asked to explain, he said he seemed to be looking at himself— at a younger age. (Penfield, 1958, p. 25.)

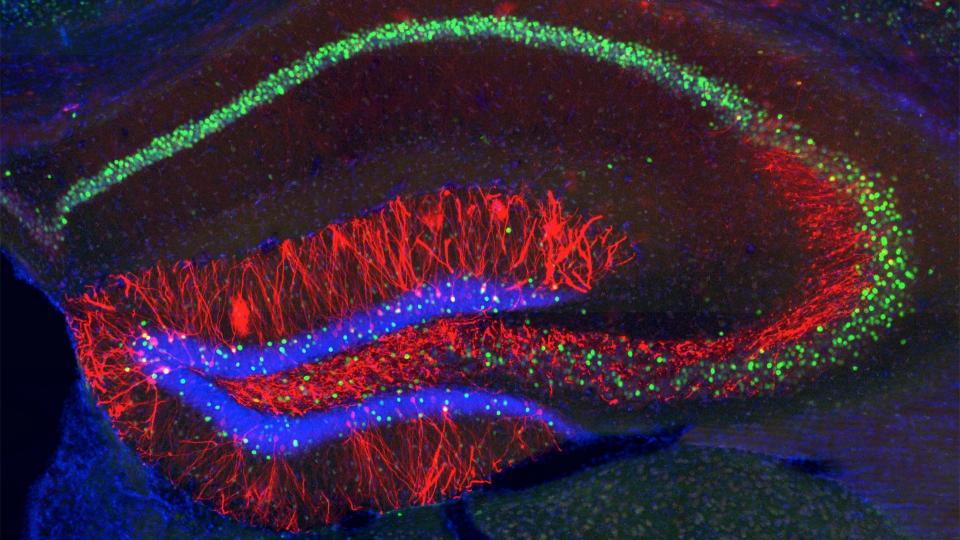
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"Neurons that fire together, wire together"

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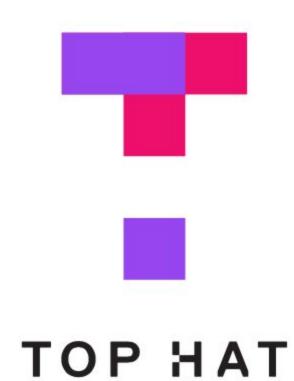
# Recap...

Declarative memory isn't perfect

Comprises **episodic** and **semantic** memory

Temporal lobe and Hippocampus seems to play a crucial role

Hebbian learning may be a potential mechanism



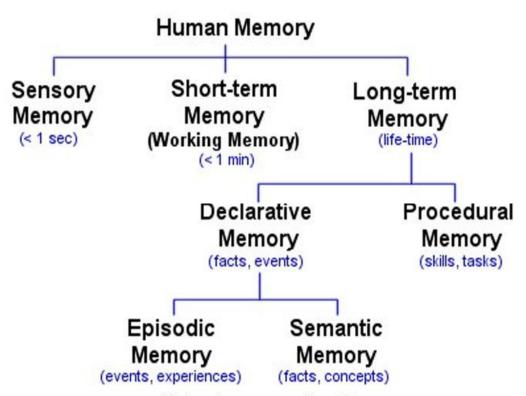
### **Test Yourself**

Everyday examples of long/medium/short term memory time scales?

What are the two main types of long term memory? How do they differ?

What is working memory? What brain areas support it? Mechanism?

What is declarative memory? What brain areas support it? Mechanism?



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