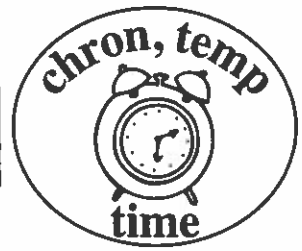
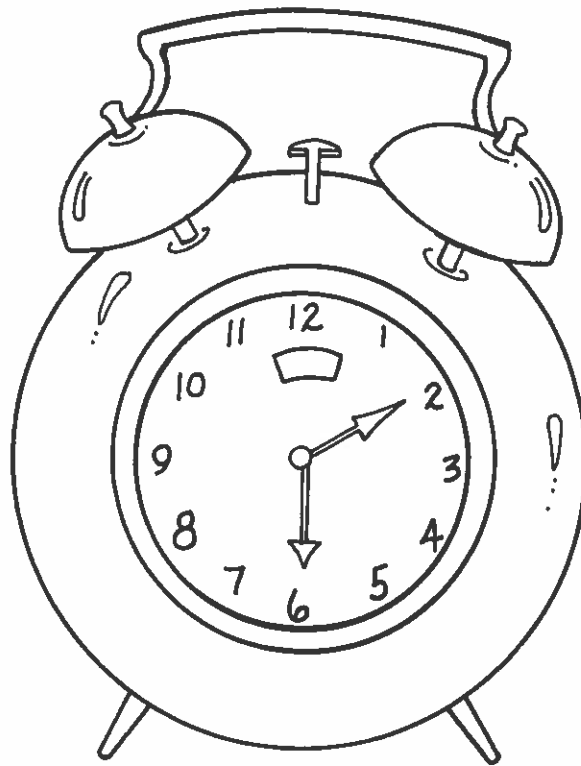


Clock Wise



Quick! Do not waste another moment! Write the letter for each word beside the matching definition. Check your answers with a dictionary.

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| a. anachronism | f. extemporaneous |
| b. chronicles | g. contemporary |
| c. chronic | h. tempo |
| d. chronometer | i. synchronize |
| e. temporary | j. tempest |



- _____ 1. n., the time of a piece of music, fast or slow
- _____ 2. adj., lasting for only a short time
- _____ 3. n., anything out of its proper time
- _____ 4. n., someone living at the same time
- _____ 5. n., a timepiece; a watch; a clock
- _____ 6. n., a violent storm lasting for a portion of time
- _____ 7. n., a historical account of events of a particular time
- _____ 8. v., to cause to happen at the same time
- _____ 9. adj., continuing for a long time
- _____ 10. adj., given without time to prepare; spur of the moment



Beat the Clock

There are at least eight anachronisms in the story below. Number them, and then explain each in the space provided.

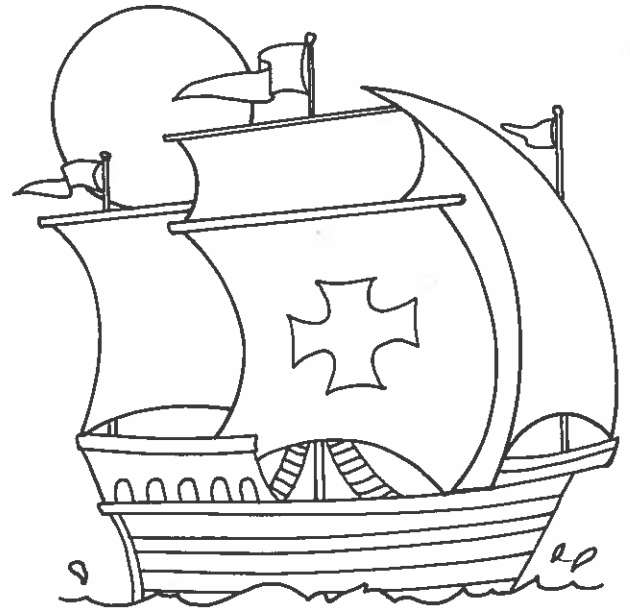
It was 1492, and Christopher Columbus and his men were preparing to set sail. "Okay, men, let's synchronize our chronometers," Christopher said over his cellular phone. "We want to weigh anchors at 0800."

Meanwhile, Christopher's contemporaries, Albert Einstein, George Washington, and Moses, stood on the dock shaking their heads. Their friend must be temporarily insane to try such a foolhardy scheme. Should they get him to see a psychiatrist?

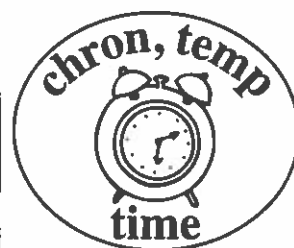
But the plucky captain persevered, and his three tiny ships waded out into the Atlantic. To pass the time, sailors danced the hornpipe, tapping out its lively tempo to music blaring from their CD players. Then, to treat the chronic back pain brought on by over-exertion, the men gulped handfuls of aspirin. Suddenly a light on the radar screen flashed. A violent tempest was coming!

Columbus and his ships weathered the storm and landed on San Salvador Island on October 12. As his feet touched the sand, Christopher began a lengthy extemporaneous speech. One of the sailors quietly turned on a tape recorder to preserve his captain's words for future chronicles.

What's wrong with this bit of fractured history? _____



Time Out



Time for a little pleasure reading. For each book title listed below, tell what you think the book is all about. Make certain you include the meanings of any time vocabulary words. The first one has been done for you.

1. *The Anachronistic Chick*: The compelling story of a prehistoric hen discovered nesting in the subway of twentieth-century New York City.
2. *Chronicles of a Chronic Complainer* _____

3. *Collectible Chronometers* _____

4. *Making Tantrums Temporary* _____

5. *Modern Warfare: The Contemporary Tank* _____

6. *Synchronized Sipping* _____

7. *The Extemporaneous Expert* _____

8. *Tampa Tempo* _____

9. *Battling Tide and Tempest* _____

Now let's turn the tables. For each of the descriptions below, make up a catchy title.

A. The story of a spoiled child who throws a fit every time the weather gets bad:

B. How to give a memorable farewell speech on the spur of the moment: _____

C. The globe-trotting adventures of a clock-fancier: _____
