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Ask the teacher:

**Question from Marvin:** On a project I had to adjust the duration to match the calendar dates that I was trying to achieve. For example in order to get the schedule to show six months I had to input 5.1 months of duration so that the start and finish dates equaled six months. I also had to "fiddle-around" with each duration date to get the calendar times that I was looking for. Why couldn't I just input "6mo" duration and have the program give me six months difference from the start date to the finish date?

I wanted durations of calendar weeks not regular work weeks. How can I get this?

**Answer:** There is a feature available in the system called "elapsed time". This feature allows for changing the time duration to represent physical days instead of business days. Example: if you enter time at 7 days you will get 7 business days for a time frame of 1 week plus 2 days business time (weekends don't count as days). If you change the value to "7edays" you will get 7 physical days in your schedule. Elapsed time is basing your schedule on a 24/7 calendar without regard to non-working days. The "elapsed" time may be applied to all time values and is expressed as entering a "e" to the left of the descriptor (ie: edays, emin, eweeks, etc.). Hope this helps.