

Reward Leaders Forum

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How the Romans did it



Payscales for different grades of Roman soldier in Auxiliary units

Cohors - Infantry units

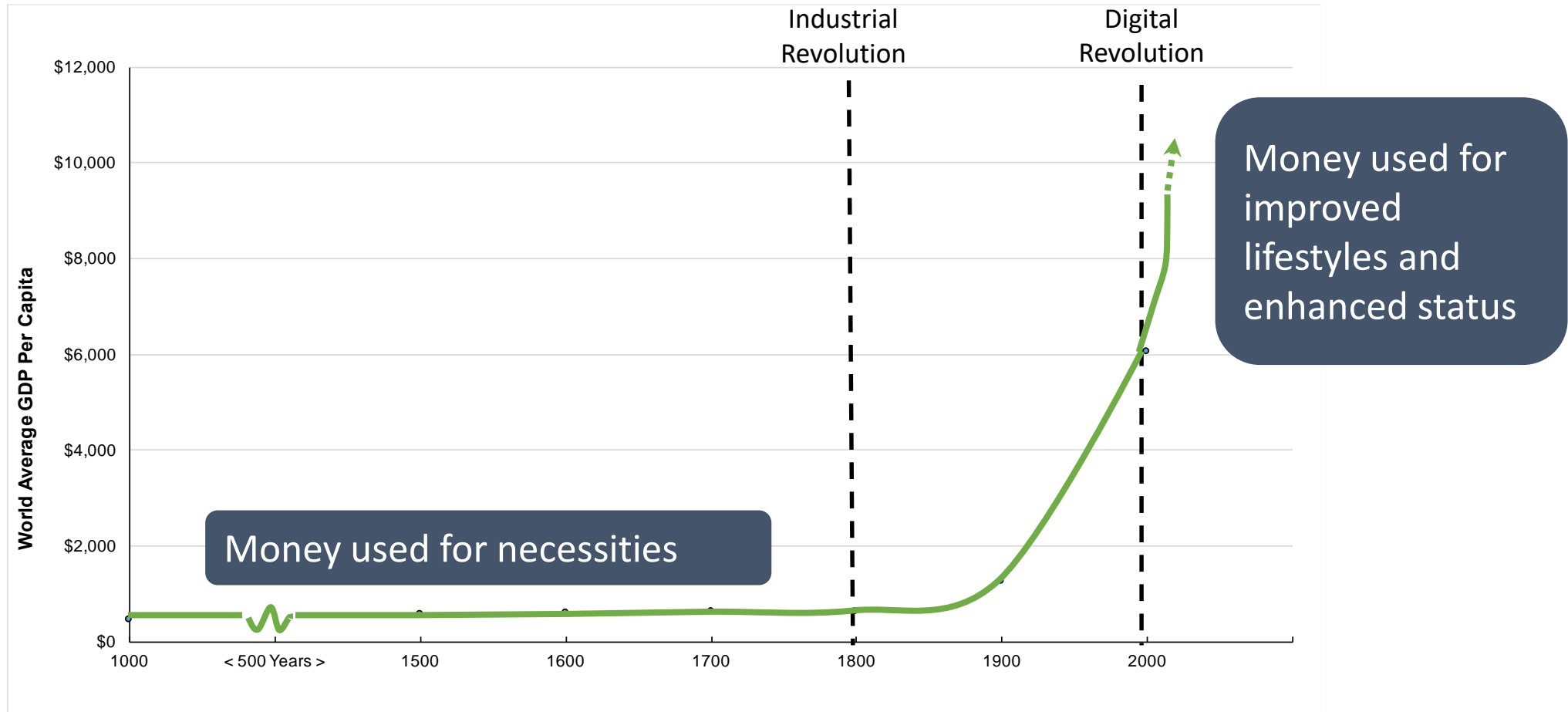
Ala - Cavalry units

PAY SCALE (X basic pay)	COHORS RANK (infantry) in ascending order	AMOUNT (denarii)	ALA RANK (cavalry) in ascending order	Amount (denarii)
1 X <i>caligati</i> – 'rankers'	Pedes <i>infantryman</i>	188	Gregalis <i>ala cavalryman</i>	263
1.5 X <i>sesquiplicarii</i> 'one-and-half-pay men'	Tesserarius corporal	282	Sesquiplicarius corporal	395
2 X <i>duplicarii</i> 'double-pay men'	Signifer <i>centuria</i> standard-bearer Optio centurion's deputy Vexillarius cohort standard-bearer	376	Signifer <i>turma</i> standard-bearer Curator decurion's deputy Vexillarius <i>ala</i> standard-bearer	526
Over 5 X	Centurio (n) <i>centuria</i> commander Centurio princeps chief centurion Beneficiarius deputy cohort commander	940 +	Decurio benefici = <i>turma</i> commander Decurio princeps chief benefici Beneficiarius deputy <i>ala</i> commander	1,315 +
50 X	Praefectus or Tribunus cohort commander	9,400	Praefectus or Tribunus (<i>ala</i> commander)	13,150

Infantry *Cohors* were divided into *centuria* (centuries) of 80 men under the leadership of a *Centurio* (Centurion)

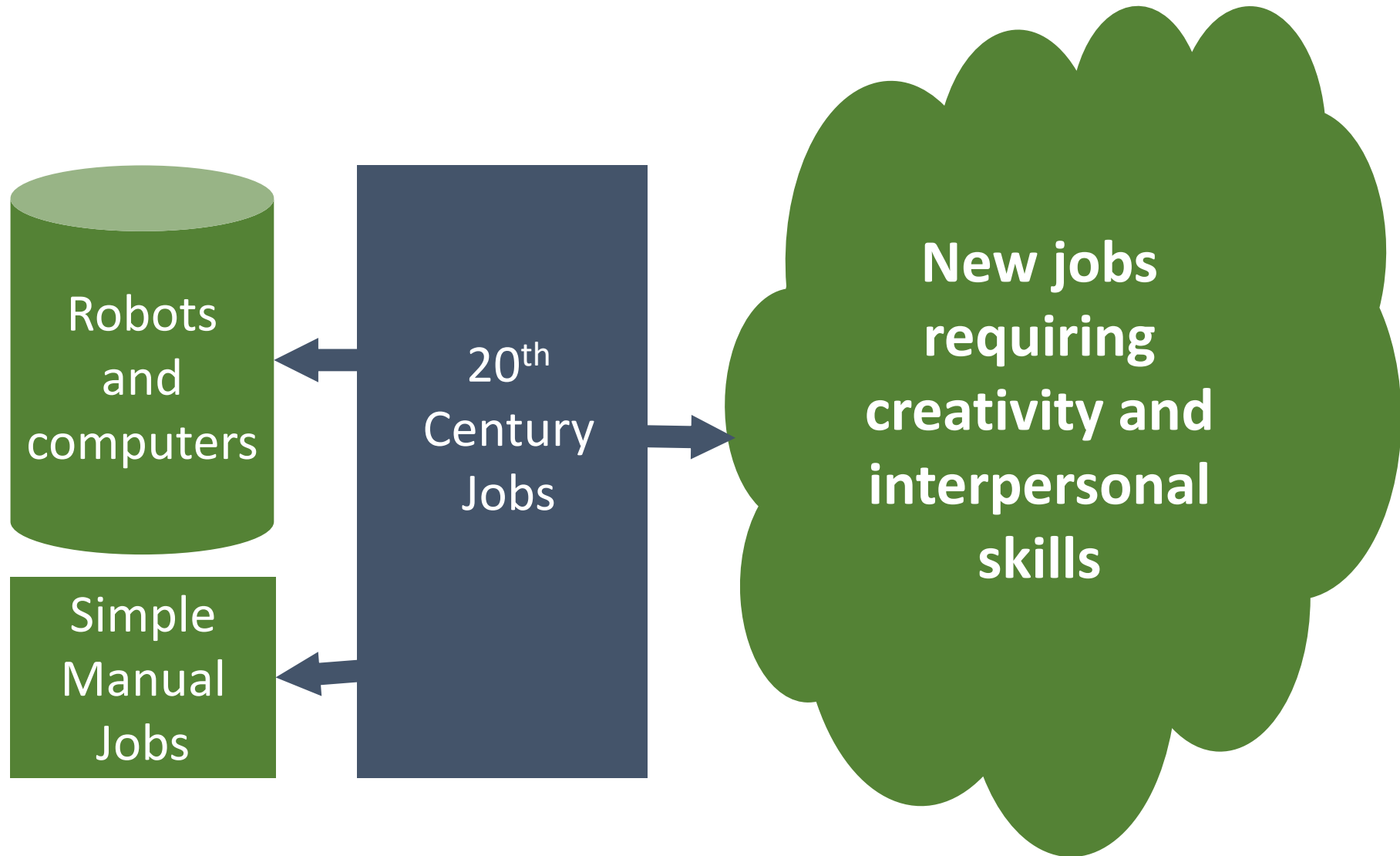
Cavalry *Ala* were divided into *turma* of 60 men and their horses under the leadership of a *Decurio* (Decurion)

Money has changed

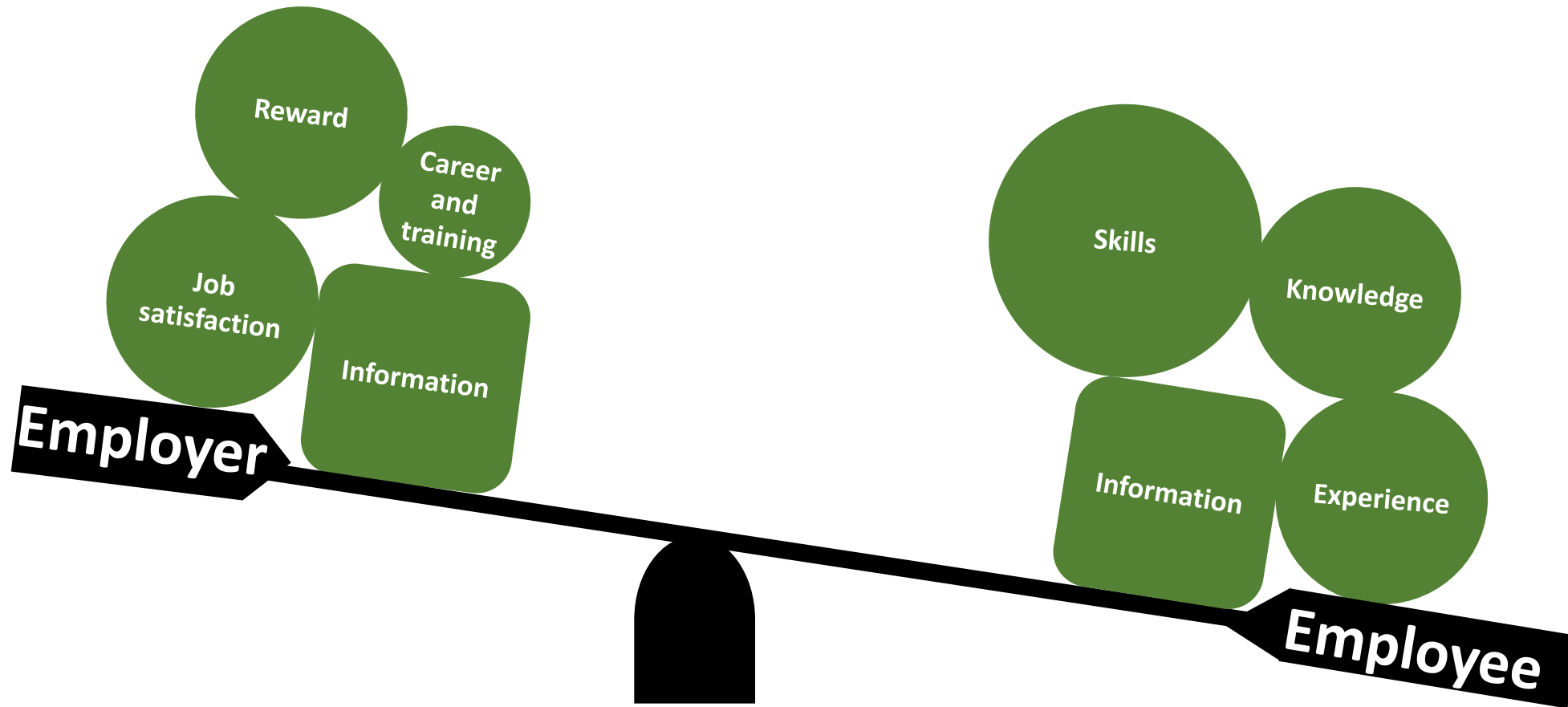


The GDP numbers are from the "Maddison Project" based on the work of the economist Angus Maddison.

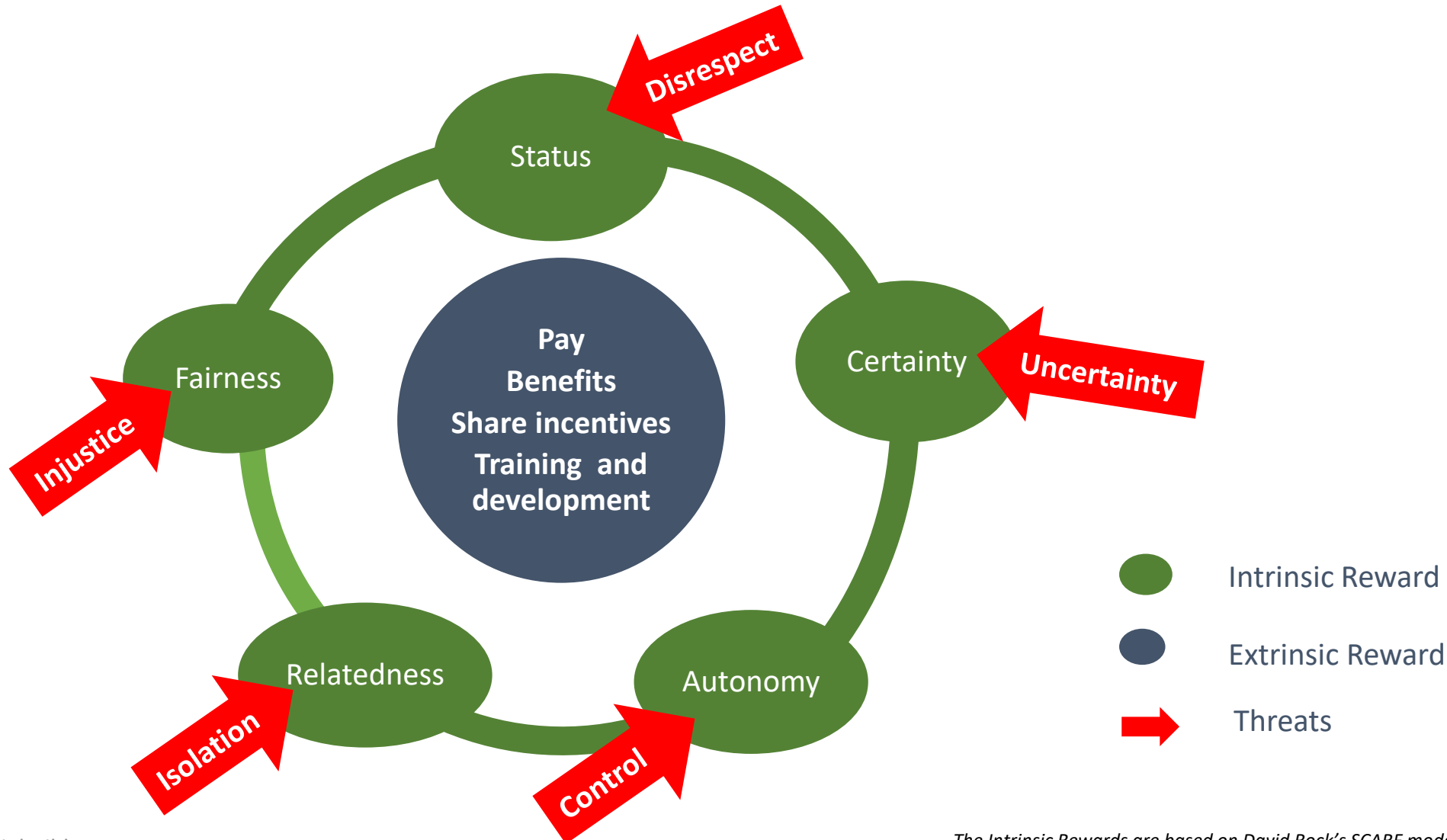
Jobs are changing



The employment relationship is changing

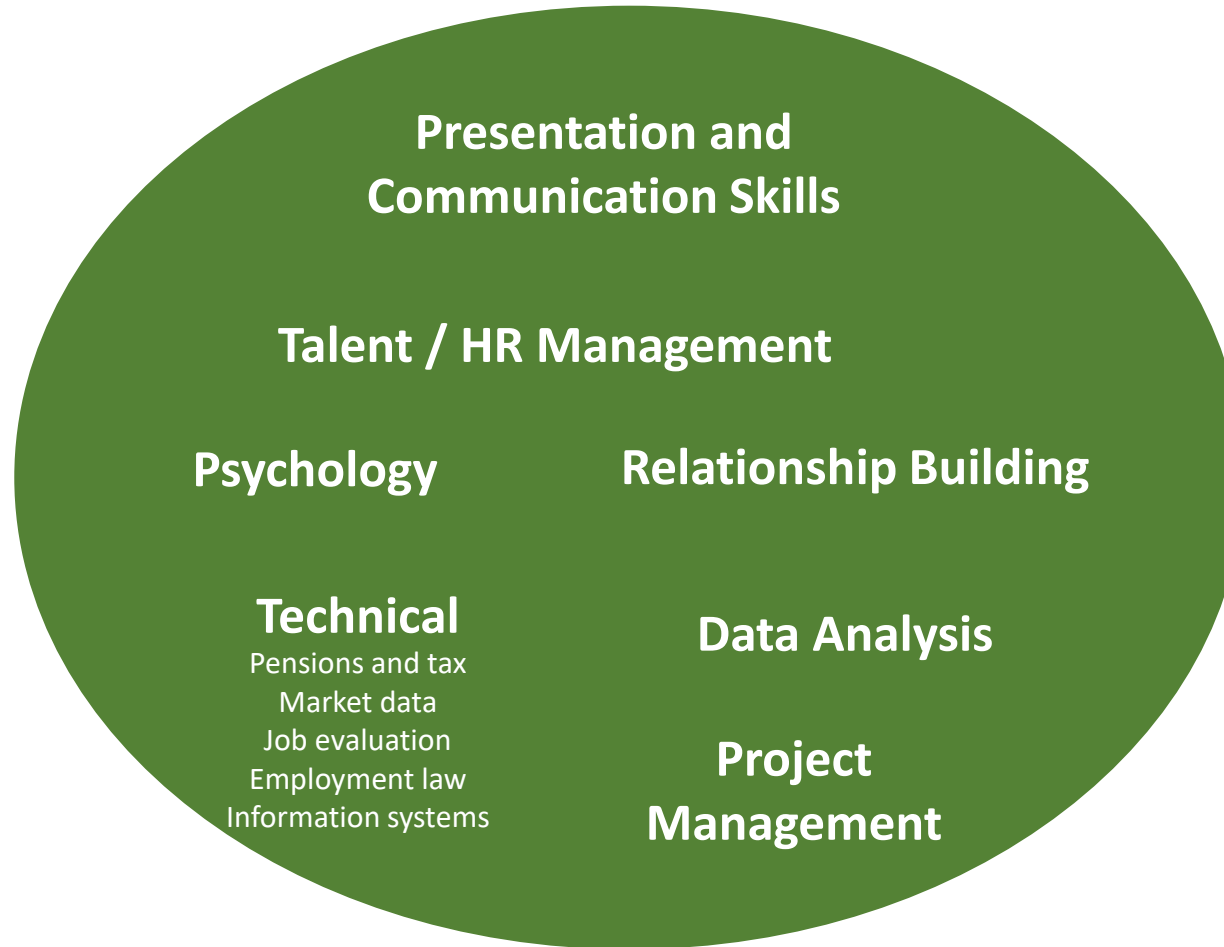


The psychology of reward



Reward management capabilities

**Digital age
capabilities**



1. Connect reward with talent models

Talent Model

Reward approach

Career model

Long-term career opportunities are available for those who develop within the career path

A pay framework that rewards expertise and progression through the career path

Market model

Skills are available and long-term career opportunities with the employer are limited

A single rate of pay aligned with the external market

Retention model

The job requires specialist skills that are not readily available in the external market

Low starting pay that increases incrementally as the employee gains in expertise in the job

Contribution model

The job is flexible/broadly defined and the capabilities of the employee have a big impact on the results achieved

Pay is varied according to the contribution that the employee makes

2. Clearer objectives for performance pay

Possible objectives

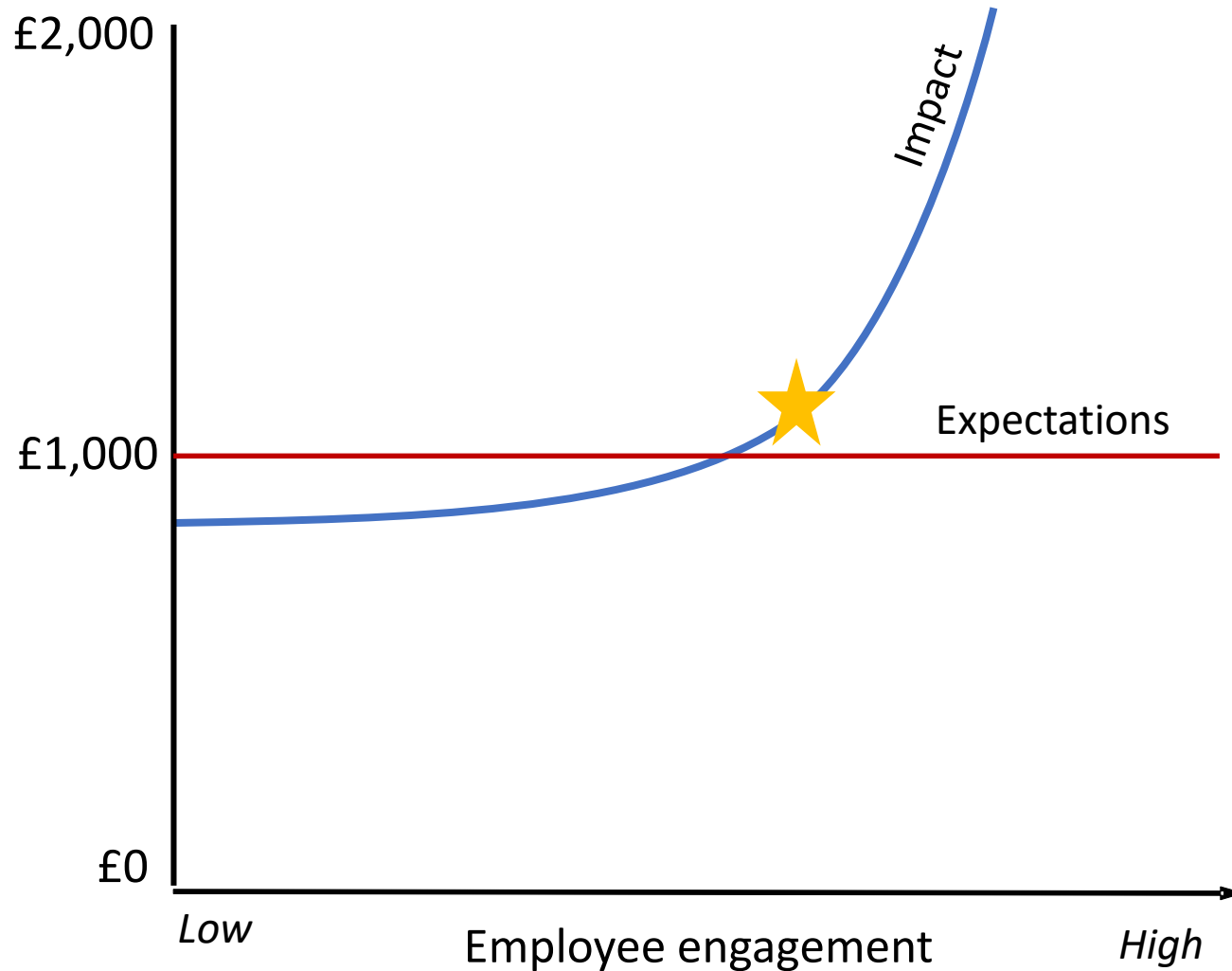
1. Reflect market practice and recruit and retain talent
2. Align reward with organisational performance and communicate priorities
3. Reward employees fairly, based on their individual contribution
4. Create an incentive for improved performance

Easy



Difficult

3. Manage expectations



★ Optimal level of reward