

COMMUNICATION

# What time is it?

**LEVEL**

Beginner

**NUMBER**

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**LANGUAGE**

English



## Learning outcomes

- I can tell others the time using 'it is..!'.
- I can talk about my schedule in very simple terms.



It is twelve **o'clock**. Is it **am** or **pm**? Is it **noon** or **midnight**?





# Vocabulary

It is...

o'clock



It is five o'clock.



It is nine o'clock.



# Vocabulary

**quarter past**



It is **quarter past** nine.

**quarter to**



It is **quarter to** four.

**half past**



It is **half past** eight.



# When do you...?



It is three **o'clock**.

I wake up at **quarter to** six.



I go to sleep at **quarter past** ten.

I get to work at **half past** eight.





## Find the opposite



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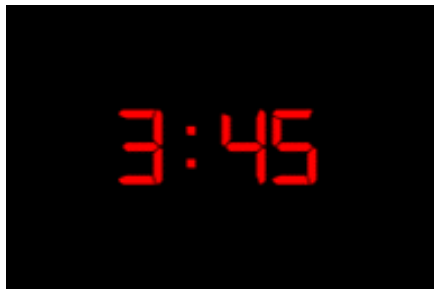
quarter past

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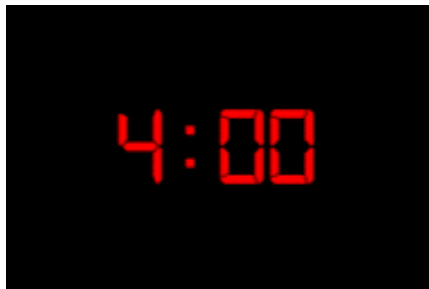


# Match the clock to the time

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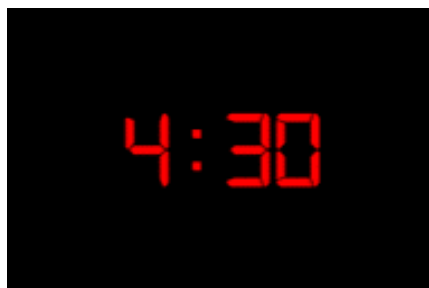
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a It is four o'clock.

b It is quarter to four.

c It is half past four.

d It is quarter past four.





# Vocabulary

**twenty past**



It is **twenty past** twelve.

**ten to**



It is **ten to** eight.

thirty



It is eight **thirty**.



# Tell the time



It is **quarter to** seven.

It is **quarter past** five.





# Past and to

- We use **to** and **past** with **ten to** and **twenty past** but not with **thirty**.

It is **ten to** twelve.

It is **twenty past** twelve.

It is twelve **thirty**.

**to**

**past**

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## Past or to?



It is **twenty past** three.

It is **ten to** ten.



# I drive twenty minutes to work

8:00

It is eight **o'clock**. I leave home at eight **o'clock**.

I arrive at work at **twenty past** eight.

8:20

5:30

It is **half past** five. I go home at five **thirty**.

I arrive home at **ten to** six.

5:50

Two answers are correct!



eight o'clock

eight thirty

quarter to eight

half past eight



# What is your schedule?

Complete the sentences **in breakout rooms** or **as a class**.



I wake up at \_\_\_\_\_.

I go to work at \_\_\_\_\_.



I go home at \_\_\_\_\_.

I go to sleep at \_\_\_\_\_.







# Tell the time: short answers



What time is it?

Quarter past three.

You can leave out ***It is*** when you say the time.



# Vocabulary

**noon**



It is twelve o'clock. It is **noon**.

**midnight**



It is twelve o'clock. It is **midnight**.



# Vocabulary

am



After midnight and before  
noon, it is **am**.

pm



After noon and before  
midnight, it is **pm**.



# Is it morning or afternoon?



It is **eleven o'clock in the morning.**  
It is **eleven am.**

It is **one o'clock in the afternoon.**  
It is **one pm.**





# When do you eat?



I eat breakfast at seven **am**.

I eat lunch at **noon**.



I eat dinner at eight **pm**.

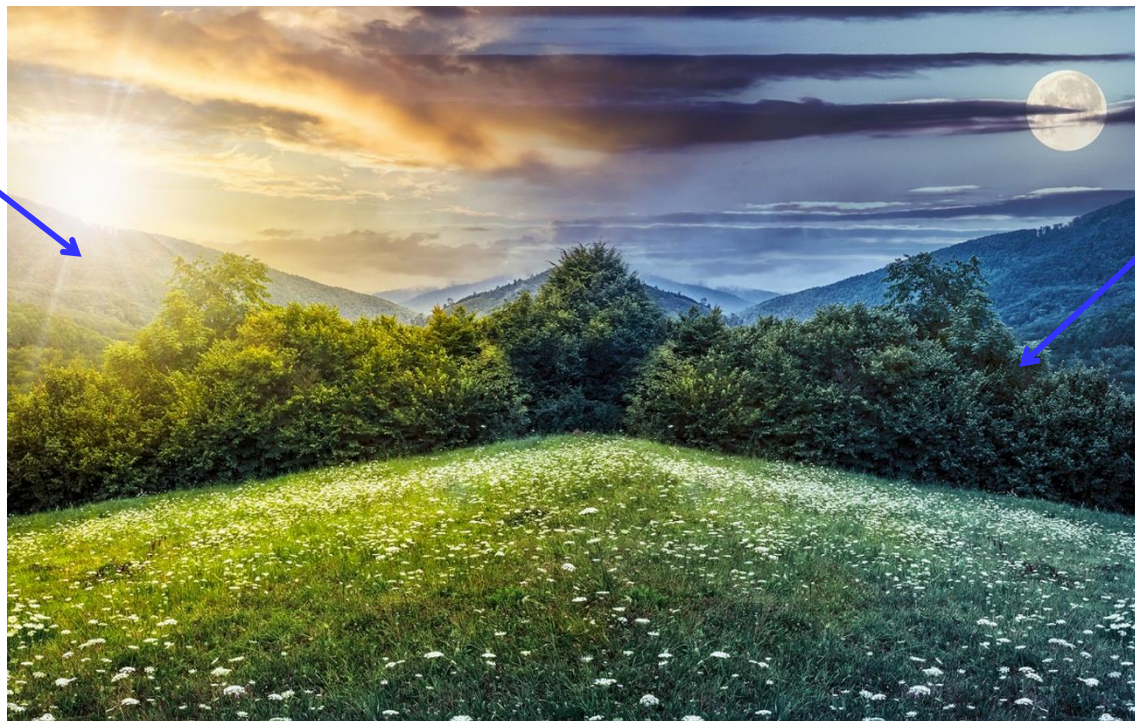
I go to sleep at **midnight**.





am or pm?

A



B





# When do you...?



What time is it?

It is...



When do you wake up?

I wake up at...



When do you eat breakfast?

I eat breakfast at...



# I eat this at...

**Ask** your classmates the following questions.



When do you  
eat breakfast



When do you  
eat lunch?



When do you  
eat dinner?



When do you  
go to sleep?





# Who sleeps late?

**Find someone who wakes up  
after noon.  
Find someone who goes to sleep  
after midnight.**





# End of the lesson

Idiom

***to make good time***

**Meaning:** to arrive at a destination on time or sooner than expected

**Example:** There was no traffic, so we made good time.



# Additional practice



## Fill in the gaps

1 I wake up at \_\_\_\_\_.

2 I eat breakfast at \_\_\_\_\_.

3 I go to work at \_\_\_\_\_.

4 I eat lunch at \_\_\_\_\_.

5 I go home at \_\_\_\_\_.

6 I eat dinner at \_\_\_\_\_.

7 I go to sleep at \_\_\_\_\_.

seven o'clock (pm)

noon

half past seven

seven o'clock (am)

quarter to nine

quarter past six

midnight

# Match the sentence to the picture

1



2



3



4



5



6



**a** It's five to twelve.

**b** It's five past five.

**c** It's twenty past six.

**d** It's quarter past four.

**e** It's quarter past two.

**f** It's three o'clock.



# What do you do?

**What do you do at these times on a Monday? Tell your partner.**



half past eight (am)



noon



nine o'clock (pm)



midnight

# Writing

Use the clocks on p.29 to write four sentences about what you think your teacher does on a Monday at those times. Are you correct?

At eight thirty on Mondays, my teacher goes to the gym.



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# Answer

## **Exercise p.8**

quarter to

## **Exercise p.9**

1. b – 2. a – 3. d – 4. c

## **Exercise p.15**

eight thirty and half past eight

## **Exercise p.22**

A. am, B. pm



# Answer key

## Exercise p. 29

1. seven o'clock (am)
2. half past seven
3. quarter to nine
4. noon
5. quarter past six
6. seven o'clock (pm)
7. midnight

## Exercise p.30

1. d – 2. b – 3. e – 4. c – 5. f – 6. a



# Summary

## Saying what time is it:

- *half past, quarter past, quarter to, twenty past, ten to, thirty, noon, midnight*
- *It is... o'clock; It is half past...; It's a quarter past...*

## Times of day:

- *am* = the morning
- *pm* = the afternoon



# Vocabulary

It is...

o'clock

quarter to

quarter past

half past

twenty past

ten to

thirty

noon

midnight

am

pm

