

What time is it?

In these lesson you will learn

- How to read the hour in English
- How to say what time is it

Let's play a game!

Imagine a world where clocks and watches don't exist. How would you misure the time that passes?

Now imagine to create a clock for that world, the weirdest clock ever created. How would it look like?

Make a drawing and then explain how would it work.



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What time is it?

HOW DO I FEEL?



Skimming: what is the text about? _____

Pre-reading: what will it talk about specifically? _____ ?
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Prior knowledge: what do I already know? _____

Morning and afternoon

In English the day is divided in 12 hours. In Italy instead we count 24 hours.



Discuss

- How do you think they call the 12 hours missing, from 13 to 24?



The morning hours, from 0 to 12 are followed by the abbreviation A.M.



A.M comes from latin *ante meridiem* and means "before noon".

The afternoon hours, from 13 to 24 are followed by the abbreviation P.M.



P.M comes from latin *post meridiem* and means "after noon".

Following these rules, we have:

1 It's one A.M.	13 It's one P.M.
2 It's two A.M.	14 It's two P.M.
3 It's three A.M.	15 It's three P.M.
4 It's four A.M.	16 It's four P.M.
5 It's five A.M.	17 It's five P.M.
6 It's six A.M.	18 It's six P.M.
7 It's seven A.M.	19 It's seven P.M.
8 It's eight A.M.	20 It's eight P.M.
9 It's nine A.M.	21 It's nine P.M.
10 It's ten A.M.	22 It's ten P.M.
11 It's eleven A.M.	23 It's eleven P.M.
12 It's twelve A.M.	24 It's twelve P.M.



12 is called MIDDAY

It's midday.



24 is called MIDNIGHT

It's midnight.



Discuss

- As you can see, 12 and 24 are not called like that, why do you think is that?

Repetition: what have I forgotten?

ALL CLEAR?



Creative review: Transform the text into something else you'll use to study. You can make drawings, maps, sketchnotes, lapbooks, summaries, games, songs... you name it!



Minutes

How do you read these?

We already saw how to say the hour.

1:05 and 1:55

It's one A.M.

But 1:05 and 1:55 are different. How do you say that?

In English the hour is divided in two parts.

Between 30 to 59 minutes we count the minutes that are missing to the next hour and we say...

It's TO two.



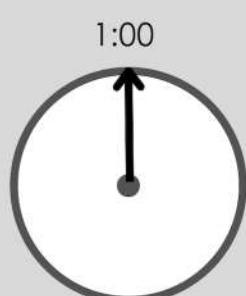
Between 1 to 30 minutes we count the minutes that passed and we say...

It's PAST one

So 1: 05 will be "It's **five** PAST one A.M."

And 1:55 will be "It's five TO two A.M."

This is the general rule but there are some special cases.



It's one **o'clock**



It's one **and half**



It's **a quarter past** one



It's **a quarter to** two

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