

Time: summary

There are **60 minutes** in an **hour**.
 There are **15 minutes** in a **quarter of an hour**.
 There are **30 minutes** in a **half hour**.
 There are **45 minutes** in **three quarters of an hour**.



An **analogue** clock is a clock with a dial (or clock face) and hands.
 The **short hand** tells you the **hour**.
 The **long hand** tells you the **minutes**.
 This analogue clock shows the time twenty past five.

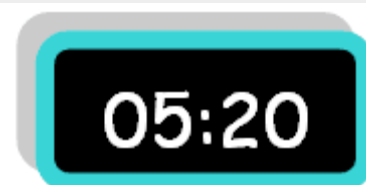


A **digital clock** has no hands or dial. It displays the time in numbers (digits).

The dots separate the hours from the minutes.

The last two digits tell you how many minutes past the hour.

This digital clock shows the time twenty past five.



am means **before midday**. The first 12 hours of a day are before midday - from midnight through to midday.

pm means **after midday**. The last 12 hours of a day are after midday - from midday through to midnight.

When **ordering time** first look at the **hour**, then look at the **minutes past the hour**,
 eg 7.45 is later than 7.30.