



Using a digital clock

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

The **first two digits** tell you the **hour**.

The **colon separates** the hours from the minutes.

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



The time is seven o'clock

There are 15 minutes in a quarter hour.



There are 30 minutes in a half hour.



There are 45 minutes in three quarters of an hour.



05:15

It's five fifteen or quarter past five.

02:30

It's two thirty or half past two.

11:45

It's eleven forty five or quarter to twelve.

Telling the time to the nearest minute

When reading a digital clock you say the hour first and then the number of minutes.

05:20

It's five twenty.

02:35

It's two thirty five.

11:50

It's eleven fifty.