

## Part 1 Grammar Explanation

**IDEA 1** | In time, 0 is pronounced "oh".

It is exactly 6:03.      It is exactly six oh three.

I'll arrive at 9:05.      I'll arrive at nine oh five.

**IDEA 2** | You can say "A M" or "in the morning" for times before 12:00 p.m.

It is 8:00 a.m.      It is eight A M.

It is 8:00 a.m.      It is eight (o'clock) in the morning.

**IDEA 3** | You can say "P M" or "in the afternoon", "in the evening" and "at night" for times after 12:00 p.m.

12:01 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. = "in the afternoon" (*approximately*)

It is 3:00 p.m.      It is three P M.

It is 3:00 p.m.      It is three (o'clock) in the afternoon.

5:01 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. = "in the evening" (*approximately*)

It is 7:00 p.m.      It is seven P M.

It is 7:00 p.m.      It is seven (o'clock) in the evening.

8:01 p.m. - 11:59 p.m. = "at night" (*approximately*)

It is 10:00 p.m.      It is ten P M.

It is 10:00 p.m.      It is ten (o'clock) at night.

**IDEA 4** | You can use "past/after" before ##:30. You must change the number order. [minute past hour].

It is 5:10.      It is ten past five.

It is 11:22.      It is twenty-two past eleven.

**IDEA 5** | You can use "to" after ##:30. It means until. You must change the number order. [minute to hour].

It is 5:40.      It is twenty to six.

It is 10:55.      It is five to eleven.

**IDEA 6** | You can use "quarter" for 15 minutes and "half" for 30 minutes, but only with "past" and "to".

It is 5:15.      It is quarter past five.

It is 5:15.      It is five and a quarter.

It is 8:30.      It is half past eight.

It is 8:30.      It is eight and a half.

It is 10:45.      It is quarter to eleven.

It is 10:45.      It is ten and three quarters.

## Part 2 Grammar Check *How do you say these times?*

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| 1. 9:00 a.m.  | 10. 11:53 a.m. |
| 2. 3:00 p.m.  | 11. 12:03 a.m. |
| 3. 12:00 a.m. | 12. 9:45 a.m.  |
| 4. 12:00 p.m. | 13. 9:15 a.m.  |
| 5. 3:05 p.m.  | 14. 8:45 p.m.  |
| 6. 7:15 p.m.  | 15. 3:30 p.m.  |
| 7. 10:30 p.m. | 16. 7:50 a.m.  |
| 8. 6:20 a.m.  | 17. 2:02 p.m.  |
| 9. 6:40 p.m.  | 18. 1:58 p.m.  |

## Part 3 Grammar Discussion *Cover the right side (answers) and try to ask and answer these questions. Uncover the right side to check your language.*

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| <b>Q1</b>   what / time / you / usually / get / up / ? | What time do you usually get up?<br>I usually get up at ...                               |
| <b>Q2</b>   what / time / you / get / up / today / ?   | What time did you get up today?<br>Today, I got up at ...                                 |
| <b>Q3</b>   when / you / usually / go / bed / ?        | When do you usually go to bed?<br>I usually go to bed at ...                              |
| <b>Q4</b>   what / time / you / go / bed / tonight / ? | What time will you go to bed tonight?<br>Tonight, I will go to bed at ...                 |
| <b>Q5</b>   when / you / usually / eat / dinner / ?    | When do you usually eat dinner?<br>I usually eat dinner at ...                            |
| <b>Q6</b>   when / you / usually / do / homework?      | When do you usually do your homework?<br>I usually do my homework at ...                  |
| <b>Q7</b>   what / time / this / class / start / ?     | What time does this class start?<br>This class starts at ...                              |
| <b>Q8</b>   what / best / time / start / work / ?      | What is the best time to start work?<br>I think the best time to start work is (at) ...   |
| <b>Q9</b>   what / best / time / finish / work / ?     | What is the best time to finish work?<br>I think the best time to finish work is (at) ... |
| <b>Q10</b>   when / traffic / worst / your / city / ?  | When is (the) traffic worst in your city?<br>(The) traffic is worst from ... to ...       |

## Answers

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|---------------|--|----------------|---|
| 1. 9:00 a.m.  | It is nine (o'clock) (in the morning).<br>It is nine a.m.          | 10. 11:53 a.m. | It is eleven fifty-three (in the morning).<br>It is seven (minutes) to twelve.                |
| 2. 3:00 p.m.  | It is three (o'clock) (in the afternoon).<br>It is three p.m.      |                | It is almost noon.  |
| 3. 12:00 a.m. | It is midnight.  | 11. 12:03 a.m. | It is twelve oh three (in the morning).<br>It is three past twelve.                           |
| 4. 12:00 p.m. | It is noon.  |                | It is just past midnight.   |
| 5. 3:05 p.m.  | It is three oh five (in the afternoon).<br>It is five past three.  | 12. 9:45 a.m.  | It is nine forty-five (in the morning).<br>It is quarter to ten.                              |
| 6. 7:15 p.m.  | It is seven fifteen (in the evening).<br>It is quarter past seven. | 13. 9:15 a.m.  | It is nine fifteen (in the morning).<br>It is quarter past nine.                              |
| 7. 10:30 p.m. | It is ten thirty (at night).<br>It is half past ten.               | 14. 8:45 p.m.  | It is eight forty-five (at night).<br>It is quarter to nine.                                  |
| 8. 6:20 a.m.  | It is six twenty (in the morning).<br>It is twenty past six.       | 15. 3:30 p.m.  | It is three thirty (in the afternoon).<br>It is half past three.                              |
| 9. 6:40 p.m.  | It is six forty (in the evening).<br>It is twenty to seven.        | 16. 7:50 a.m.  | It is seven fifty (in the morning).<br>It is ten to eight.                                    |
|               |  | 17. 2:02 p.m.  | It is two oh two (in the afternoon).<br>It is two (minutes) past two.<br>It's just past two.  |
|               |  | 18. 1:58 p.m.  | It is one fifty-eight (in the afternoon).<br>It is two (minutes) to two.<br>It is almost two. |