

Half-hour

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- A half-hour means 30 minutes
- There are 60 minutes in 1 hour, so half of that is 30 minutes
- When the minute hand is on 6, it means 30 minutes
- The hour hand will be between two numbers, not pointing exactly to one
- We read the time as Half past (last hour number)



For example, if the hour hand is between 2 and 3, and the minute hand is on 6, it is Half past 2.

How to Read Half-hour Time on a Clock

- Minute hand on 6 = 30 minutes
- Hour hand in between two numbers = read the smaller number
- Say “Half past ____”
- Time is written as __:30

For example: Half past 7 → 7:30

Examples with Solutions

- 1. The short hand is between 1 and 2, and the long hand is on 6. What time is it?**

Solution:

Minute hand on 6 = 30 minutes

Hour hand is between 1 and 2 = Half past 1

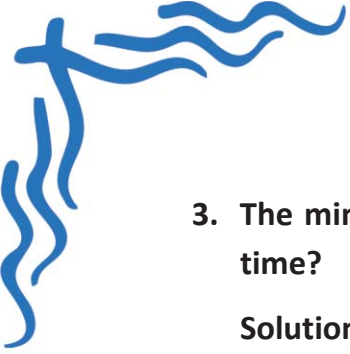
Time is 1:30

- 2. The hour hand is between 6 and 7, and the minute hand is on 6. What time is it?**

Solution:

Half past 6

Time is 6:30



3. The minute hand is on 6 and the hour hand is between 9 and 10. What is the time?

Solution:

Half past 9

Time is 9:30

4. What time is shown if the short hand is between 4 and 5 and the long hand is on 6?

Solution:

Half past 4

Time is 4:30

5. The long hand is on 6 and the short hand is between 11 and 12. What is the time?

Solution:

Half past 11

Time is 11:30

Summary Points

- Half-hour means 30 minutes
- When the minute hand is on 6, it shows half-hour
- The hour hand stays between two numbers at half past
- Say "Half past" followed by the smaller hour number
- Time is written as __:30
- Examples: 1:30, 2:30, 5:30
- Understanding half-hours helps in reading time better
- Practice using wall clocks or toy clocks
- Half-past times come in the middle of every hour
- Knowing half-hours helps with daily routines and school timings