*La Hora*

* *Es la una.* It is 1:00.
* *Es la una y dos.* It is 1:02.
* *Son las dos.* It is 2:00.
* *Son las tres.* It is 3:00.
* *Son las seis y cinco.* It is 6:05.
* *Son las siete y diez.*It is 7:10.
* *Son las once y diecinueve.* It is 11:19.

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To indicate the half hour, use*media*. Use*cuarto* to indicate the quarter hours.

* *Es la una y media.* It is 1:30.
* *Son las cuatro y media.*It is 4:30.
* *Es la una y cuarto.* It is 1:15.

It is customary to use *menos* to tell time during the second half of each hour, stating the number of minutes until the following hour.

* *Es la una menos diez.*It is 12:50. (It is ten until one.)
* *Son las cinco menos cinco.* It is 4:55. (It is five until five.)
* *Son las diez menos veinte.*It is 9:40. (It is twenty until ten.)
* *Son las ocho menos cuarto.* It is 7:45. (It is quarter until eight.)

In most of the Spanish-speaking world, both 12-hour and 24-hour clocks are used, the latter being quite common in schedules and similar printed materials. To indicate time of day when using the 12-hour clock, use*de la mañana* before noon (*mediodía*), *de la tarde* between noon and early evening, and *de la noche* between then and midnight (*medianoche*).

* *Es medianoche.* It's midnight.
* *Son las siete y cuarto de la mañana.* It's 7:15 a.m. (It is 7:15 in the morning.)
* *Es mediodía.*It's noon.
* *Son las cuatro menos cinco de la tarde.* It's 3:55 p.m. (It is five before four in the afternoon.)
* *Son las ocho y media de la noche.*It's 8:30 p.m. (It is eight and a half at night.)

*Son las tres y cuarto****en punto****.* It's 3:15**exactly**.

* *Son las seis y media****más o menos****.* It's**about** 6:30.
* *Salimos****a****las nueve.* We are leaving **at**9:00.
* ***Era****la una.****Eran****las dos (tres, cuatro, etc.).* It **was** 1:00. It **was** 2:00 (3:00, 4:00, etc.).
* *Buenos días.* Good day, good morning.
* *Buenas tardes.* Good afternoon, good evening (until about 8 p.m.).
* *Buenas noches.* Good evening, good night (as either a greeting or a farewell).
* *¿Qué hora es?*What time is it?
* *¿Cuándo ...?* When ... ?