

L'HEURE

TIME

EXPLANATIONS

There are two different ways **to tell time** in French.

We're going to focus on the **most useful** — and also the **easiest** — way to do it.

It's based on the **24-hour clock**.

VOCABULARY	PRONUNCIATION	SPELLING
Il est...	[i lè...]	It is...
Minuit	[... mi nu i]	12 a.m.
Une heure	[... u neu r]	1.00 a.m.
Deux heures	[... de zeu r]	2.00 a.m.
Trois heures	[... trou a zeu r]	3.00 a.m.
Quatre heures	[... ka treu r]	4.00 a.m.
Cinq heures	[... sun keu r]	5.00 a.m.
Six heures	[... si zeu r]	6.00 a.m.
Sept heures	[... sè teu r]	7.00 a.m.
Huit heures	[... u i teu r]	8.00 a.m.
Neuf heures	[... neu veu r]	9.00 a.m.
Dix heures	[... di zeu r]	10.00 a.m.
Onze heures	[... on zeu r]	11.00 a.m.
Douze heures / Midi	[... dou zeu r / mi di]	12.00 p.m.
Treize heures	[... trè zeu r]	1.00 p.m.
Quatorze heures	[... ka tôr zeu r]	2.00 p.m.
Quinze heures	[... kun zeu r]	3.00 p.m.
Seize heures	[... sè zeu r]	4.00 p.m.
Dix-sept heures	[... di sè teu r]	5.00 p.m.
Dix-huit heures	[... di zu i teu r]	6.00 p.m.
Dix-neuf heures	[... di z neu veu r]	7.00 p.m.
Vingt heures	[... vun teu r]	8.00 p.m.
Vingt-et-une heures	[... vun té u neu r]	9.00 p.m.
Vingt-deux heures	[... vun t de zeu r]	10.00 p.m.
Vingt-trois heures	[... vun trou a zeu r]	11.00 p.m.

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Now, let's move on to **minutes**.

You just need to **read the numbers**, as you did for the hours.

Here's an example :

VOCABULARY	PRONUNCIATION	SPELLING
Il est...	[i lè...]	It is...
Quinze heures	[... kun zeu r]	3.00 p.m.
Quinze heures une	[... kun zeu ru n]	3.01 p.m.
Quinze heures deux	[... kun zeu r de]	3.02 p.m.
Quinze heures trois	[... kun zeu r trou a]	3.03 p.m.
Quinze heures quatre	[... kun zeu r ka t r]	3.04 p.m.
Quinze heures cinq	[... kun zeu r sun k]	3.05 p.m.
Quinze heures six	[... kun zeu r si s]	3.06 p.m.
Quinze heures sept	[... kun zeu r sè t]	3.07 p.m.
Quinze heures huit	[... kun zeu ru i t]	3.08 p.m.
Quinze heures neuf	[... kun zeu r neu f]	3.09 p.m.
... heures ...	[... eu r ...]	...

HOW TO ASK ABOUT TIME

Quelle heure est-ce qu'il est?	[kè leu rè s ki lè]	What time is it?
Il est quatorze heures trente.	[i lè ka tô r zeu r tran t]	It is 2.30 p.m.

EXTRA VOCABULARY

Il est tôt.	[I lè to]	It is early.
Il est tard.	[i lè ta r]	It is late.