

Quelle heure est-il ? Telling the Time in French

Join Rosa the Parrot to master the clock! Can you tell the time in French?

- To ask the time in French, we say 'Quelle heure est-il?'
- To say it is one o'clock, we say 'Il est une heure pile'.
- To say it is two o'clock, we say 'Il est deux heures pile'.
- To say it is half past three, we say 'Il est trois heures et demie'.
- Remember: We always add 'heures' after the number, except for 'une heure' which is singular.

Did you know? Did you know? In France, people often use a 24-hour clock for train and bus timetables. So, 2:00 PM is often written as 14:00, which is 'quatorze heures'!

Key vocabulary: Quelle heure est-il? (What time is it?) · Il est... (It is...) · une heure (one o'clock) · deux heures (two o'clock) · et demie (half past) · pile (o'clock)