

¡Qué hora es! – Telling Time with Rosa the Parrot

Master the clock in Spanish and join Rosa on a time-travelling adventure!

- When the long hand points to the 12, we add 'en punto' to the end of the hour to show it is exactly on the hour.
- When the long hand points to the 6, we say 'y media' to represent half past the hour.
- To ask a friend the time, use the phrase: '¿Qué hora es?'
- Remember: 'Es la una' is used only for 1:00. Use 'Son las' for 2:00 through to 12:00.
- If it is 4:30, you say 'Son las cuatro y media'.

Did you know? Did you know? In Spanish, we use 'Es la una' for one o'clock because it is singular, but for every other hour, we use 'Son las' because they are plural! Rosa loves to practise this while she flies across different time zones.

Key vocabulary: ¿Qué hora es? (What time is it?) · Es la una... (It is one o'clock...) · Son las... (It is [two/three/etc.] o'clock...) · y media (half past) · en punto (o'clock sharp) · el reloj (the clock)