Rosa’s Busy Clock Shop

Learning objective: I can tell the time and use simple French phrases to talk about my day.

About 15 minutes. Grown-up tip: Encourage your child to find clocks around your home and say the time out loud.

Read the story carefully. Look at the word bank to help you understand the French phrases. A worked example: If the text says 'Il est deux heures', this means 'It is two o'clock'.

Rosa the parrot works in a colourful clock shop in the centre of London. Every morning, she greets the customers with a cheerful 'Bonjour!' She loves making sure all the clocks tick in time. At exactly une heure, she stops for a quick snack of sunflower seeds. When the big clock on the wall strikes midi, she knows it is time for her French lesson. Rosa looks at the round clock faces and says, 'Il est midi!' She likes to teach her friends how to say the time properly. Sometimes, a little hedgehog visits the shop to buy a tiny watch for his burrow. Rosa smiles because she enjoys helping her friends learn new words. 'J'aime le temps,' she says, which means 'I love time.' By the end of the day, the shop is quiet and the clocks all hum a soft, rhythmic song.

Word bank: Bonjour (bon-ZHOOR) - Hello · Il est... (eel-ay) - It is... · une heure (oon-er) - one o'clock · midi (mee-dee) - midday/noon · J'aime (zhaym) - I like

1. At what time does Rosa stop for a snack? Give your answer in words. (1 mark)

2. What does Rosa say when the clock strikes midday? (1 mark)

3. Why do you think Rosa is a good teacher? Use evidence from the text to support your answer. (2 marks)

4. How might the hedgehog feel when he visits the clock shop? Give a reason for your answer. (2 marks)

5. Do you think Rosa enjoys her job? Explain your answer using an example from the story. (2 marks)

Draw: Draw a clock showing 12 o'clock and colour it with bright patterns, just like the ones in Rosa's shop.

Extension challenge: Can you write a sentence in French for a different time? Try using 'Il est' and a number from 1 to 12!

I did it! **Name: _____** **Date: _____**

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