Rosa’s Time-Telling Adventure

1. Il est une heure. (2 marks)

Working: Using 'Il est' + 'une' (one) + 'heures' (o'clock). Note: 'une' is used instead of 'un' for feminine hours.

1 mark for 'Il est', 1 mark for 'une heure'.

2. Rosa says it is two o'clock (Il est deux heures). (1 mark)

Working: The text says: 'Il est deux heures!' she squawks happily. It is time to start!

Accept 'two o'clock' or '2:00'.

3. It is half-past four. (2 marks)

Working: Quatre = four; et demie = half-past.

1 mark for 'four', 1 mark for 'half-past'.

4. 3:00 (1 mark)

Working: The word 'demie' is missing, so it is exactly on the hour.

Correct selection of 3:00.

5. Il est quatre heures. (2 marks)

Working: Using 'Il est' + 'quatre' (four) + 'heures' (o'clock).

1 mark for 'Il est', 1 mark for 'quatre heures'.

What a secure answer looks like

A secure answer shows the child understands the structure 'Il est [number] heures' for o'clock and adds 'et demie' for half-past.

If your child is stuck

Remind the child to look at the word bank for the numbers and the special phrases. Say the French words aloud together to hear the rhythm.

Common mistakes to watch for

Children often forget to include 'Il est' at the start of the sentence, or they may confuse the order of the number and the word 'heures'.