

Lesson 4

Read. Test yourself and see if you know how to tell the time.

A CLOCK

Here are two new words:

point [pɔɪnt] — указывать

hour [ˈaʊə] — час

Try to guess the meaning of the word:

minute [ˈmɪnɪt]

Children, look at this! Do you know what it is? Yes, it's a clock. The clock is nice and big, isn't it? It is Big Ben. Big Ben is in London. I like this clock and you? I think you do, too.

So you know that this is a clock. But do you know that a clock has a face?

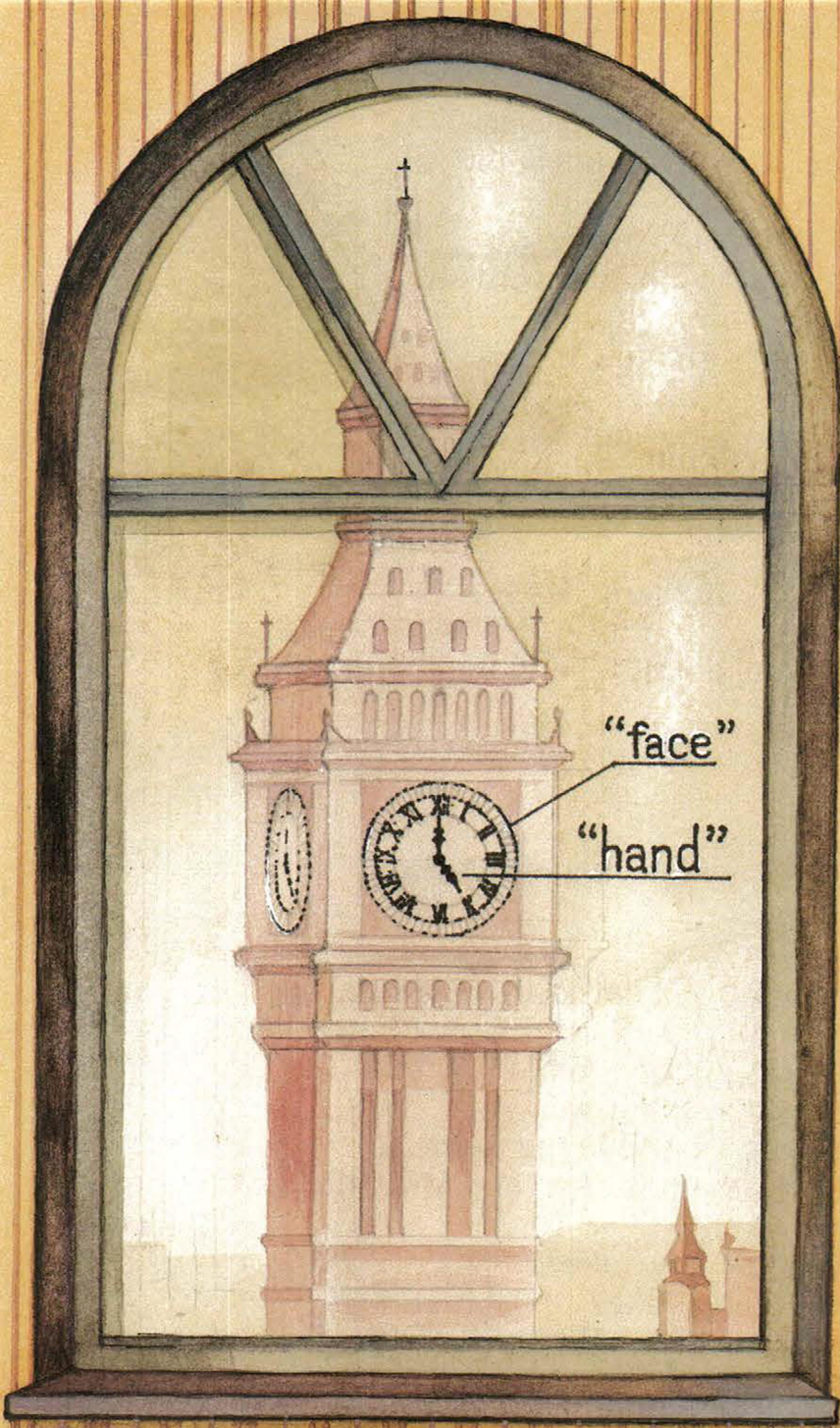
Not only does the clock have a face — it also has hands! The clock has two hands: the little hand and the big hand. The little hand **points** to the **hours** — it's an hour hand. The big hand points to the minutes — it's a **minute** hand.

The face of the clock has numbers, too. Do you know how many numbers the clock has? It has twelve numbers: 1 (one), 2 (two), 3 (three), 4 (four), 5 (five), 6 (six), 7 (seven), 8 (eight), 9 (nine), 10 (ten), 11 (eleven), 12 (twelve).

The clock tells us the time. Do you know how the clock does it? Look at the clock. The hour hand is on number three. The minute hand is on number twelve. So the clock says: "It's three o'clock." That's how the clock tells us the time.

Now look at these little clocks. What do they say? What's the time?

Draw or make a clock and say what you can about it.



"face"

"hand"

