



Telling Time to Half-Hours

Today's Standard

1.MD.B3 - Tell and write time in hours and half-hours using analog and digital clocks.

Real-World Applications for this Standard

Reading the time on a classroom clock; Setting an alarm clock; Understanding TV show schedules; Following a daily routine; Cooking with a timer; Scheduling playdates

Today I Learned

Today, we learned how to tell and write time in hours and half-hours using both analog and digital clocks. This means we can look at a clock and say what time it is, even if it's 3:30 or 7:00!

Common Stumbling Blocks

Sometimes, kids might mix up the hour and minute hands on a clock. Another tricky part is thinking that the time only changes when the minute hand points right at a number. We can help by using different colors for the hands and practicing with different times.

Quiz Me

- What time is it when the big hand is on the 6 and the little hand is on the 3?
- Can you show me 4:00 on a clock?
- What does 7:30 look like on a digital clock?
- What time is it when the big hand is on the 12 and the little hand is on the 8?
- Can you tell me what time it is when the big hand is on the 6 and the little hand is on the 2?

Help Me

We use clocks every day to know what time it is. When the big hand points to the 6, it means it's half-past the hour. For example, if the little hand points to the 3, it's 3:30. Knowing how to tell time helps us do things on time, like going to school or watching our favorite TV show.