Exercise answer key : Telling the time

Arabic A1

Detailed answer key for the exercises on "Telling the time" (Arabic A1), with step-by-step explanations.

Exercise 1

Write the hour as a number: how many o'clock?

1. الْوَاحِدَةُ

   → ١

2. الثَّانِيَةُ

   → ٢

3. الثَّالِثَةُ

   → ٣

4. الرَّابِعَةُ

   → ٤

5. الْخَامِسَةُ

   → ٥

Exercise 2

Write the hour as a number.

1. السَّادِسَةُ

   → ٦

2. السَّابِعَةُ

   → ٧

3. الثَّامِنَةُ

   → ٨

4. التَّاسِعَةُ

   → ٩

Exercise 3

Translate into Arabic (with vowels).

1. one o'clock

   → الْوَاحِدَةُ

2. three o'clock

→ الثَّالِثَةُ

3. five o'clock
   → الْخَامِسَةُ
4. seven o'clock
   → السَّابِعَةُ
5. eight o'clock
   → الثَّامِنَةُ

Exercise 4

Translate into English.

1. وَنِصْفٌ
   → **and a half**
2. وَرُبْعٌ
   → **and a quarter**
3. إِلَّا رُبْعًا
   → **quarter to**
4. دَقِيقَةٌ
   → **a minute**
5. صَبَاحًا
   → **in the morning (a.m.)**
6. مَسَاءً
   → **in the evening (p.m.)**
7. الْآنَ
   → **now**

Exercise 5

Say the full hour with السَّاعَةُ.

1. ٣:٠٠
   → السَّاعَةُ الثَّالِثَةُ
2. ٥:٠٠
   → السَّاعَةُ الْخَامِسَةُ
3. ٧:٠٠
   → السَّاعَةُ السَّابِعَةُ
4. ١:٠٠

→ السَّاعَةُ الْوَاحِدَةُ

5. ٩:٠٠
→ السَّاعَةُ التَّاسِعَةُ

The number is feminine because السَّاعَةُ is feminine.

Exercise 6

Say half past.

1. ٣:٣٠
→ السَّاعَةُ الثَّالِثَةُ وَنِصْفٌ
2. ٦:٣٠
→ السَّاعَةُ السَّادِسَةُ وَنِصْفٌ
3. ٢:٣٠
→ السَّاعَةُ الثَّانِيَةُ وَنِصْفٌ
4. ٨:٣٠
→ السَّاعَةُ الثَّامِنَةُ وَنِصْفٌ

Exercise 7

Say quarter past.

1. ٢:١٥
→ السَّاعَةُ الثَّانِيَةُ وَرُبْعٌ
2. ٤:١٥
→ السَّاعَةُ الرَّابِعَةُ وَرُبْعٌ
3. ٧:١٥
→ السَّاعَةُ السَّابِعَةُ وَرُبْعٌ
4. ٩:١٥
→ السَّاعَةُ التَّاسِعَةُ وَرُبْعٌ

Exercise 8

Say quarter to: give the next hour.

1. ٣:٤٥
→ السَّاعَةُ الرَّابِعَةُ إِلَّا رُبْعًا
2. ٥:٤٥

→ السَّاعَةُ السَّادِسَةُ إِلَّا رُبْعًا

3. ٧:٤٥
→ السَّاعَةُ الثَّامِنَةُ إِلَّا رُبْعًا

4. ١:٤٥
→ السَّاعَةُ الثَّانِيَةُ إِلَّا رُبْعًا

For “quarter to”, say the next hour minus a quarter.

Exercise 9

Write the time in digits (format ٣:٣٠).

1. السَّاعَةُ الْخَامِسَةُ وَنِصْفٌ
→ ٥:٣٠

2. السَّاعَةُ السَّابِعَةُ وَرُبْعٌ
→ ٧:١٥

3. السَّاعَةُ الثَّالِثَةُ إِلَّا رُبْعًا
→ ٢:٤٥

4. السَّاعَةُ الثَّامِنَةُ
→ ٨:٠٠

Exercise 10

Translate.

1. What time is it now?
→ كَمِ السَّاعَةُ الْآنَ؟

2. It is half past three.
→ السَّاعَةُ الثَّالِثَةُ وَنِصْفٌ

3. It is eight o'clock.
→ السَّاعَةُ الثَّامِنَةُ

4. It is a quarter to six.
→ السَّاعَةُ السَّادِسَةُ إِلَّا رُبْعًا

Exercise 11

Say morning or evening with صَبَاحًا or مَسَاءً.

1. 8 a.m.
→ السَّاعَةُ الثَّامِنَةُ صَبَاحًا

2. 9 p.m.

→ السَّاعَةُ التَّاسِعَةُ مَسَاءً

3. 6 a.m.
   → السَّاعَةُ السَّادِسَةُ صَبَاحًا
4. 7 p.m.
   → السَّاعَةُ السَّابِعَةُ مَسَاءً

Exercise 12

Put the number after فِي السَّاعَةِ (kasra).

1. الثَّالِثَةُ
   → فِي السَّاعَةِ الثَّالِثَةِ
2. الْخَامِسَةُ
   → فِي السَّاعَةِ الْخَامِسَةِ
3. السَّابِعَةُ
   → فِي السَّاعَةِ السَّابِعَةِ
4. الثَّامِنَةُ
   → فِي السَّاعَةِ الثَّامِنَةِ
5. الْوَاحِدَةُ
   → فِي السَّاعَةِ الْوَاحِدَةِ

Exercise 13

Translate: “at … o'clock”.

1. The lesson is at five p.m.
   → الدَّرْسُ فِي السَّاعَةِ الْخَامِسَةِ مَسَاءً
2. The exam is at nine a.m.
   → الِامْتِحَانُ فِي السَّاعَةِ التَّاسِعَةِ صَبَاحًا
3. The class is at three o'clock.
   → الدَّرْسُ فِي السَّاعَةِ الثَّالِثَةِ

Exercise 14

Translate the questions.

1. What time is it?
   → كَمِ السَّاعَةُ؟
2. When is the class?
   → مَتَى الدَّرْسُ؟

3. When is the exam?
   → مَتَى الِامْتِحَانُ؟

Exercise 15

Put the words in order to make a sentence.

1. كَمِ / السَّاعَةُ / الْآنَ
   → كَمِ السَّاعَةُ الْآنَ؟
2. وَنِصْفٌ / الثَّالِثَةُ / السَّاعَةُ
   → السَّاعَةُ الثَّالِثَةُ وَنِصْفٌ
3. فِي / الدَّرْسُ / الْخَامِسَةِ / السَّاعَةِ
   → الدَّرْسُ فِي السَّاعَةِ الْخَامِسَةِ

Exercise 16

Choose the number that agrees with السَّاعَةُ.

1. السَّاعَةُ _____ (الثَّالِثُ / الثَّالِثَةُ)
   → الثَّالِثَةُ
2. السَّاعَةُ _____ (الْخَامِسُ / الْخَامِسَةُ)
   → الْخَامِسَةُ
3. السَّاعَةُ _____ (السَّابِعَةُ / السَّابِعُ)
   → السَّابِعَةُ

Exercise 17

True or false?

1. Time is said with السَّاعَةُ + a feminine number.
   → **True**
2. السَّاعَةُ الثَّالِثَةُ وَنِصْفٌ means 3:30.
   → **True**
3. إِلَّا رُبْعًا means “quarter past”.
   → **False**
4. مَسَاءً means “in the morning”.
   → **False**

Exercise 18

Fix the mistake.

1. السَّاعَةُ الثَّالِثُ وَنِصْفٌ

→ السَّاعَةُ الثَّالِثَةُ وَنِصْفٌ

2. السَّاعَةُ الْخَامِسَةُ إِلَّا رُبْعٌ
   → السَّاعَةُ الْخَامِسَةُ إِلَّا رُبْعًا
3. الدَّرْسُ فِي السَّاعَةُ الْخَامِسَةِ
   → الدَّرْسُ فِي السَّاعَةِ الْخَامِسَةِ
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   → السَّاعَةُ الثَّامِنَةُ صَبَاحًا

Exercise 19

Add the vowels (vocalize).

1. الساعة الثالثة ونصف
   → السَّاعَةُ الثَّالِثَةُ وَنِصْفٌ
2. الآن
   → الْآنَ
3. صباحا
   → صَبَاحًا
4. مساء
   → مَسَاءً
5. دقيقة
   → دَقِيقَةٌ

Exercise 20

Read then answer. كَمِ السَّاعَةُ الْآنَ؟ - السَّاعَةُ الثَّالِثَةُ وَنِصْفٌ. - وَمَتَى الدَّرْسُ؟ - الدَّرْسُ فِي السَّاعَةِ الْخَامِسَةِ مَسَاءً. - شُكْرًا.

1. What time is it now?
   → **3:30**
2. What time is the class?
   → **5 p.m.**
3. How long before the class?
   → **1 h 30**
4. Which word is said at the end?
   → شُكْرًا

Exercise 21

Write each word's pronunciation in Latin letters.

1. السَّاعَةُ
   → **as-sāʿa**
2. الْآنَ
   → **al-ān**
3. مَسَاءً
   → **masāʾan**
4. دَقِيقَةٌ
   → **daqīqa**

Exercise 22

Write 3 sentences: when your class, your dinner and your bedtime are (with فِي السَّاعَةِ ...).

1. Free writing
   → **Example: الدَّرْسُ فِي السَّاعَةِ الثَّالِثَةِ. الْأَكْلُ فِي السَّاعَةِ السَّابِعَةِ مَسَاءً. أَنَامُ فِي السَّاعَةِ التَّاسِعَةِ.**