



HANDS-ON MUSEUM LEARNING

CHECK THE TIME

The U.S. Military operates at all hours of the day, all around the world. To stay organized and avoid confusion between post meridiem (P.M.) and ante meridiem (A.M.), service members use a time keeping system based on the 24-hour clock. You may know this as military time.

See the chart below and start using military time! (When the time starts with 0, make the sound “oh”).

TRY IT OUT

- ★ What time is 5 a.m.?
- ★ What time is 7 p.m.?
- ★ What time is noon?
- ★ What time is midnight?
- ★ What time is it right now?

| Normal Time | Military Time | Normal Time | Military Time |
|-------------|---------------|-------------|---------------|
| 12 a.m. | 0000 | 12 p.m. | 1200 |
| 1 a.m. | 0100 | 1 p.m. | 1300 |
| 2 a.m. | 0200 | 2 p.m. | 1400 |
| 3 a.m. | 0300 | 3 p.m. | 1500 |
| 4 a.m. | 0400 | 4 p.m. | 1600 |
| 5 a.m. | 0500 | 5 p.m. | 1700 |
| 6 a.m. | 0600 | 6 p.m. | 1800 |
| 7 a.m. | 0700 | 7 p.m. | 1900 |
| 8 a.m. | 0800 | 8 p.m. | 2000 |
| 9 a.m. | 0900 | 9 p.m. | 2100 |
| 10 a.m. | 1000 | 10 p.m. | 2200 |
| 11 a.m. | 11000 | 11 p.m. | 2300 |

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