

A.M. and P.M.

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Q Quick Review

A whole day has 24 hours, but a clock only shows 12 numbers. To tell the two halves of the day apart, we use **A.M.** and **P.M.** **A.M.** is the time from midnight until noon — the morning hours, when you wake up and eat breakfast. **P.M.** is the time from noon until midnight — the afternoon, evening, and night hours. A good way to remember: if the sun is coming up or it is morning, think A.M.; if it is afternoon or dark out, think P.M.

◇ **Example:** You eat lunch at 12:00 in the middle of the day. Is that A.M. or P.M.?
 ⇒ Let's think about when lunch happens. Lunch is in the middle of the day, right at noon. A.M. is before noon, and P.M. starts at noon and goes through the afternoon. Since noon is the start of P.M., lunch at 12:00 in the middle of the day is P.M.

Answer: P.M.

PRACTICE

Decide whether each time is A.M. or P.M.

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| 1. Waking up for school at 7:00 — is that A.M. or P.M.? _____ | 11. Doing homework at 5:00 in the evening — is that A.M. or P.M.? _____ |
| 2. Eating dinner at 6:30 in the evening — is that A.M. or P.M.? _____ | 12. Hearing the rooster crow at 5:30 in the morning — is that A.M. or P.M.? _____ |
| 3. Eating breakfast at 8:00 — is that A.M. or P.M.? _____ | 13. Sleeping at 2:00 in the middle of the night — is that A.M. or P.M.? _____ |
| 4. Going to bed at 9:00 at night — is that A.M. or P.M.? _____ | 14. Going to soccer practice at 4:30 after school — is that A.M. or P.M.? _____ |
| 5. The sun rises at 6:00 in the morning — is that A.M. or P.M.? _____ | 15. Getting dressed for school at 7:30 — is that A.M. or P.M.? _____ |
| 6. Playing outside after school at 4:00 — is that A.M. or P.M.? _____ | 16. Reading a bedtime story at 8:00 at night — is that A.M. or P.M.? _____ |
| 7. Brushing your teeth at 7:15 before school — is that A.M. or P.M.? _____ | 17. Starting math class at 9:00 in the morning — is that A.M. or P.M.? _____ |
| 8. Watching the stars at 10:00 at night — is that A.M. or P.M.? _____ | 18. Watching the sunset at 7:00 in the evening — is that A.M. or P.M.? _____ |
| 9. Catching the school bus at 8:30 — is that A.M. or P.M.? _____ | 19. Feeding the cat at 6:45 in the morning — is that A.M. or P.M.? _____ |
| 10. Eating an afternoon snack at 3:00 — is that A.M. or P.M.? _____ | 20. Going to a friend's birthday party at 2:30 in the afternoon — is that A.M. or P.M.? _____ |

◆ Word Problems

21. Lily wakes up and eats cereal at 7:30. Should she write A.M. or P.M. next to that time? _____
22. The school day ends at 3:00 and Noah goes home. Is 3:00 A.M. or P.M.? _____
23. Ava's family eats dinner together at 6:00 each evening. Is that time A.M. or P.M.? _____
24. A baker starts making bread very early, at 5:00, while it is still dark before sunrise. Is that A.M. or P.M.? _____



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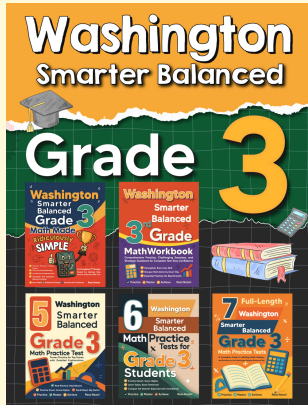
Step-by-Step Explanations

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| <p>1. Waking up for school happens in the morning, so it is A.M.</p> <p>2. Dinner in the evening is after noon, so it is P.M.</p> <p>3. Breakfast happens in the morning, so it is A.M.</p> <p>4. Bedtime at night is after noon, so it is P.M.</p> <p>5. Sunrise happens in the morning, so it is A.M.</p> <p>6. After school is in the afternoon, which is after noon, so it is P.M.</p> <p>7. Before school is in the morning, so it is A.M.</p> <p>8. Nighttime is after noon, so it is P.M.</p> <p>9. The morning bus comes before noon, so it is A.M.</p> <p>10. The afternoon is after noon, so it is P.M.</p> <p>11. The evening is after noon, so it is P.M.</p> <p>12. Early morning is before noon, so it is A.M.</p> <p>13. The hours after midnight and before noon are A.M., so 2:00 at night is A.M.</p> | <p>14. After school is in the afternoon, so it is P.M.</p> <p>15. Getting ready for school happens in the morning, so it is A.M.</p> <p>16. A bedtime story at night is after noon, so it is P.M.</p> <p>17. Morning class is before noon, so it is A.M.</p> <p>18. The sunset happens in the evening, after noon, so it is P.M.</p> <p>19. Early morning is before noon, so it is A.M.</p> <p>20. The afternoon is after noon, so it is P.M.</p> <p>21. Waking up and eating cereal happens in the morning, before noon. So the time is 7:30 A.M.</p> <p>22. The end of the school day is in the afternoon, which comes after noon. So 3:00 is P.M.</p> <p>23. Dinner in the evening happens after noon, so 6:00 at dinnertime is P.M.</p> <p>24. Early morning, before sunrise and before noon, is A.M. So the baker starts at 5:00 A.M.</p> |
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