

time

<p>Learn with television</p> <p>Talk Spanish: Programme 3</p> <p>Watch people organising train journeys in Valencia station and learn how to express the time of day in Spanish.</p> <p>Talk Spanish is repeated regularly on BBC Learning Zone (BBC Two). Check out the details on www.bbc.co.uk/learningzone and video the programmes to watch at your leisure.</p>	<p>Learn online</p> <p>www.bbc.co.uk/languages/spanish</p> <p>Spanish Steps</p> <p>Stage 5: La Oficina de turismo</p> <p>Join Kevin at the tourist office in Segovia asking about shop opening times. Then access detailed information on time in the <i>Grammar</i> section.</p> <p>Stage 6: ¿Cuándo?</p> <p>Listen to Rosana sorting out her diary, check out the key words then have a go at the activities.</p>
<p>Learning hint</p> <p>To get some practice at saying the time in Spanish, get your alarm clock, set different times at random and say what time it is. Then have a look in your diary and say aloud what time your appointments are for the next week or so.</p> <p>Once you're comfortable with the format, get used to thinking of the time in Spanish whenever you plan to do something – even routine activities such as going to work, eating your lunch or going to bed.</p>	
<p>Key language</p> <p>¿Qué hora es? What time is it?</p> <p>¿A qué hora At what time</p> <p>...sale? ...does it leave?</p> <p>... llega? ...does it arrive?</p> <p>...abren? ...do they open?</p> <p>...es ...? ...is ...?</p> <p>A las cuatro, tengo... At four o'clock, I have...</p> <p>De las 10 a las 7 From 10 until 7</p>	<p>1.00: (a) la una (en punto)</p> <p>2.00: (a) las dos (en punto)</p> <p>2.15: (a) las dos y cuarto</p> <p>3.30: (a) las tres y media</p> <p>3.45: (a) las cuatro menos cuarto</p> <p>1.20: (a) la una y veinte</p> <p>10.35: (a) las once menos veinticinco</p> <p>12.50: (a) la una menos diez</p>
<p>Quiz</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Your train leaves at 7a.m. Is that de la mañana or de la tarde? 2. If a colleague says Tengo una reunión a las diez y media, what time is her meeting? 3. You're told at the tourist office that the next guided tour is a las once menos veinte. What time is that? 4. If the answer given at the information desk at the station was El próximo tren sale a las ocho, what was the question? 5. Write la or las besides the following times then say them loud: ____5.25; ____11.10; ____1.15; ____8.00; ____12.55. 6. Shops in your town are open from 9.30 to 6.00. How do you give someone that information in Spanish? Start with Las tiendas ... <p>Answers on www.bbc.co.uk/languages/spanish/answers.shtml</p>	