Time

VOCABULARY PRACTICE

PRE-INTERMEDIATE | A2-B1

Name: _____ **Date:** _____

1 Match each time expression with its meaning.

1 yesterday	____	a before the expected or usual time
2 tomorrow	____	b twelve o'clock at night
3 early	____	c the day after today
4 late	____	d Saturday and Sunday
5 noon	____	e the day before today
6 midnight	____	f after the expected or usual time
7 fortnight	____	g a period of two weeks
8 weekend	____	h twelve o'clock in the daytime

2 Complete the time expressions.

ago | at | during | for | from | in | on | until

1 _____ Monday morning

2 _____ six o'clock

3 two days _____

4 _____ the afternoon

5 _____ 9.00 to 11.00

6 _____ the lesson

7 _____ three hours

8 wait _____ tomorrow

3 Choose the correct word or phrase.

1 The lesson starts *at / on* eight.

2 We met *last / ago* week.

3 I have lived here *for / since* three years.

4 The train arrived ten minutes *late / lately*.

5 We usually eat lunch at *noon / midnight*.

6 She finished the task *early / soon ago*.

7 A fortnight is *two weeks / four days*.

8 The shop is open *until / during* six.

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4 Complete the daily schedule with words from the box.

after | at | before | during | early | for | from | until

I get up **1** _____, usually **2** _____ seven o'clock. I eat breakfast **3** _____ leaving home. School runs **4** _____ 8.00 **5** _____ 14.00. We have a short break **6** _____ the morning. **7** _____ school, I study **8** _____ about an hour.

5 Read the text. Write T (true) or F (false).

Different ways to tell the time
People may say 7.30 as seven thirty or half past seven. In everyday British English, 7.45 can be quarter to eight, while 7.15 is quarter past seven. Timetables often use the 24-hour clock, so 18.00 means six o'clock in the evening. Punctual means arriving at the agreed time, neither early nor late.

1 7.30 can be half past seven. T / F

2 7.45 is quarter past eight. T / F

3 7.15 is quarter past seven. T / F

4 Timetables may use the 24-hour clock. T / F

5 18.00 means eight in the evening. T / F

6 Punctual means on time. T / F

6 Rewrite using the word in capitals.

1 The film begins at 8.00. **STARTS** _____

2 I arrived after the agreed time. **LATE** _____

3 We stayed there for two weeks. **FORTNIGHT** _____

4 She came before everyone else. **EARLY** _____

OVER TO YOU

Write **70-90 words** describing your usual weekday schedule from morning to evening.

[ ] Use at least eight target expressions. [ ] Use time prepositions correctly. [ ] Present events in order.

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ANSWER KEY

1 Time expressions

1 **e** 2 **c** 3 **a** 4 **f** 5 **h** 6 **b** 7 **g** 8 **d**

2 Time expressions

1 **on** 2 **at** 3 **ago** 4 **in** 5 **from** 6 **during** 7 **for** 8 **until**

3 Correct choices

1 **at** 2 **last** 3 **for** 4 **late**
5 **noon** 6 **early** 7 **two weeks** 8 **until**

4 Daily schedule

1 **early** 2 **at** 3 **before** 4 **from** 5 **until** 6 **during** 7 **after** 8 **for**

5 Reading - suggested answers

1 **T** 2 **F** 3 **T** 4 **T** 5 **F** 6 **T**

6 Rewriting - possible answers

1 The film **starts** at 8.00. 2 I arrived **late**. 3 We stayed for a **fortnight**. 4 She arrived **early**.

Over to you: Answers will vary. Check time expressions, prepositions and chronological order.