4.21 Introducing time

Topic: Measurement Subtopic: Time Activity type/skill: Orientation Literacy focus: Vocabulary

Objective

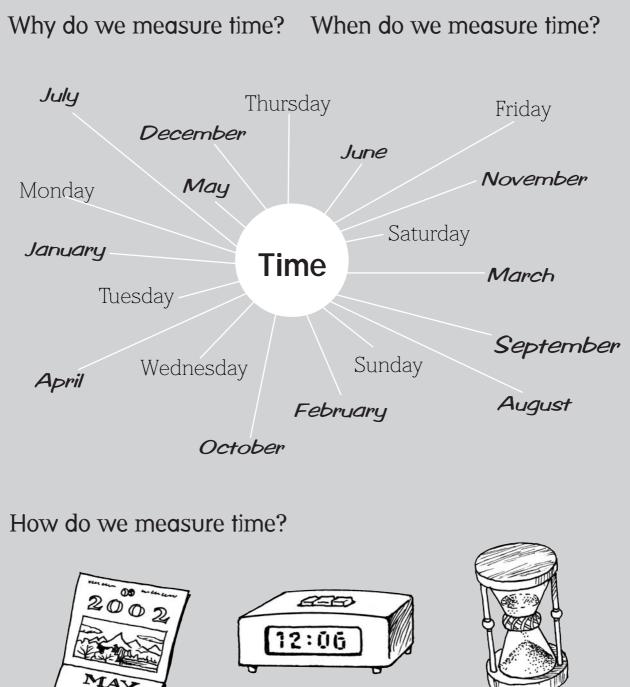
- Orientation to the subtopic.
- Make links with and value prior experience and knowledge.
- Link to the mathematics curriculum.

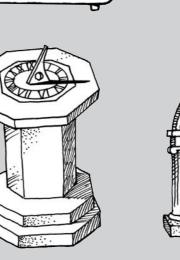
What you need

- Student worksheet (see next page)
- Audio track 4.21

What to do

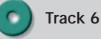
- 1. Look at the pictures on the first page of the student worksheet and ask students to guess what is being measured, why it is being measured and how it is being measured (What measuring instrument? What scale of measurement?)
- 2. Ask each of the questions in turn and record the students' responses in diagram form on the board.
- 3. Look at the second and third pages of the student worksheet and play track 4.21 (Track 6 for this topic).
- 4. Ask the students to read through the lists and tick the words they already know. Reassure them that, although the lists are long, the concepts are familiar.
- 5. Discuss each list of words separately. Talk about the meaning of each word and ask them to teach you how to say the equivalent word in their language. Have students write the equivalent word from their language on the lines. They should check that they have chosen the right word. They can do this by checking with students from the same background and/or using a dictionary or electronic translator.
- 6. Ask them to explain the meaning of some of the expressions. For example, the word for dawn in some languages means 'first light'. Do they have any additional expressions that are commonly used?
- 7. Have students listen to the track again and pronounce the words after the speaker. Break up the meaning of the compound words (after-noon, mid-night and so on.)



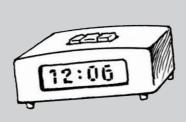




Activity twenty-one









1	2	3
clock	second	Monday
	minute	Tuesday
watch	hour	Wednesday
calendar	day ———	Thursday ————
	week ———	Friday ————
time	month	Saturday ———
date	year ———	Sunday ———

June

February

May

November

September

March

July

April

August

January

December

October

Activity twenty-one

Tuesday	Sunday		Wednesday
Thursday	Monday	Saturday	Friday

4	5
day	January
night	February
morning	March
afternoon	April
evening	May
noon	June
midday	July
midnight	August
yesterday	September
today	October
tomorrow	November
	December

