

Decimal Time



15:43

6:54

In France in 1793 decimal time was introduced, then abandoned only two years later.

12:00

5:00

Look at these pairs of times. The ones on the left are our time and the clocks on the right show the corresponding French decimal time.

Can you decipher how French decimal time works?

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