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**What's the Time Mr Wolf**

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It is **twelve** o'clock.  
Midday.  
Time to go shopping,  
thinks Mr Wolf.



He is halfway to the shops  
when it starts to rain.  
Time I bought an umbrella,  
thinks Mr Wolf.



It is  
**one** o'clock  
in the afternoon.

**BONGGGG!**

There's a mouse  
running up  
Mr Wolf's clock.

'What's the time,  
Mr Wolf?' squeaks  
the mouse.  
But Mr Wolf  
doesn't answer.  
Mr Wolf is out.



It is three o'clock  
in the afternoon.



Mr Wolf is tired and very, very hungry.  
He is heading home when...

ZOOOOOOOM! WHOOOOOOSH!

A crowd rushes past.



'No time to stop, Mr Wolf,' they gasp. 'We're already late.'



It is **four** o'clock in the afternoon.  
Mr Wolf takes the shortcut home.  
It is cool and shady under the trees.

'Time for a nap,' says Mr Wolf.  
He is nearly asleep when...

HEY DIDDLE-EE  
DIDDLE-EE DIDDLE-EE  
YOWWWL!

Mr Wolf's eyes spring open.  
There is a cat playing the fiddle.  
'**Five** o'clock. Time to wake up,  
Mr Wolf,' the cat says.  
'Shall I play some more lovely  
tunes on my fiddle?'

Mr Wolf shudders.  
'Good grief!' he says.  
'Is that the time?  
Awfully sorry. Must dash.'  
And he runs away  
as fast as he can.



'WHAT'S THE TIME,  
MR WOLF?'

It's PARTY time!