



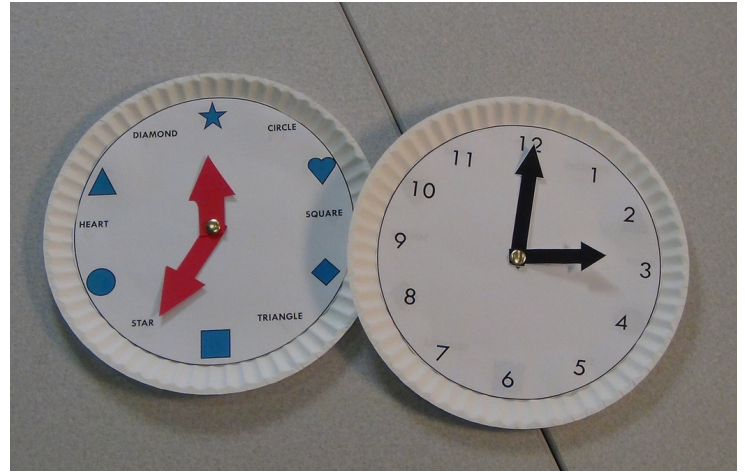
# Learning Clock

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### Introduction

As your child heads back to school for a new year of learning, it is very likely that they will have a clock in their classroom, and their teachers might be starting to introduce them to telling time.

This craft is a fun way to teach smaller children numbers and shapes and older children how to read time. Literacy skills aren't just limited to reading and books—they often go hand in hand with other life skills that are important for growth and development in every child's life!



### Supplies

- Template
- Paper plates
- Metal brads
- Glue
- Scissors
- Markers (optional)
- Construction paper (optional)



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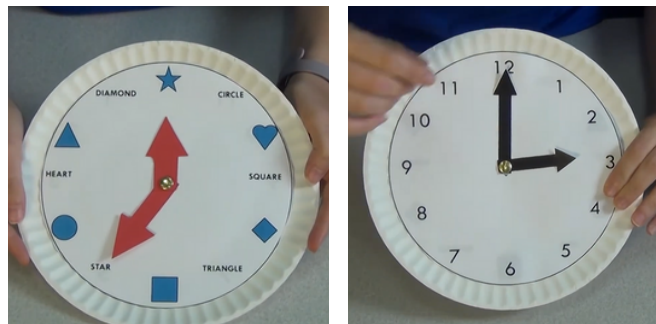
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### Instructions

1. Cut and glue template: Cut out clock template and glue to top of plate. Then, cut out clock hands from template.
  - a. (Optional) Create custom clock: Write on plate directly instead of using template to make a personalized matching activity.
2. Attach brad: Push brad through the ends of both hands and plate where the "X" is located. Loosely fold ends of brad apart to secure hands to plate. Make sure that it is loose enough that the hands can freely rotate around the clock.
  - a. (Optional) Use construction paper: If you are having issues piercing paper with brad, use construction paper instead to make sturdier hands.

### How to Use Your Learning Clock

Depending on if you are using your learning clock to teach numbers or shapes or to tell time, you can use the hands on the clock in different ways. If you are using our shapes template, you can point one hand of the clock to a shape, and then have your little one match it up, or you can prompt them to do it on their own. If you are using the clock template, you can use it to go over clock basics and then test their knowledge by having them move the hands to the time you specify. You can even create personalized flash cards for quick quizzing.



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