Expression for time

Class Objective:

I will be able to tell time in Portuguese.

Telling **time in Portuguese** is just a matter of knowing some important phrases and a few formulas and rules.

Concept A: Phrases for asking and telling time

Asking the time

- Que hora é ele?
- Por favor, que horas são?
- Que horas são?

Telling Time in Portuguese

- São dez e vinte. It's ten twenty.
- For "sharp hour", São sete horas / São sete horas em ponto. It's seven o'clock / it's 7:00 am sharp
- For "half an hour" São sete e meia it's 7:30
- São + remaining time in minutes + para as + next hour.
- São cinco para as cinco It's five to five.
- É meia-noite It's midnight
- É meio-dia It's noon
- In Portuguese, when referring to "am" or "pm", use the expressions "da manhã", "da tarde" or "da noite". Those expressions are used with specific time.
- A reunião começa às 6:00 da tarde. The meeting starts at 6:00 pm

Concept B: Examples

Time	Portuguese	English
8:55 a.m.	São cinco para as nove.	It's five to nine.
3:15 a.m.	São três e quinze.	It's quarter past eight.
8:06 a.m.	Oito seis.	It's six past eight.
1:44 p.m.	Um quarenta quatro.	It's sixteen to two.
at 6 (sharp)	Em seis.	It's six o'clock.
1:00 p.m.	É uma hora.	It's one o'clock.
10:30 p.m.	São dez e meia.	It's ten and a half.

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