

11.1 Listening: routines, times and arrangements

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KEY WORDS arrangement

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Objective

Supported preparation: Sort the three clocks (routine, clock time, arrangement); Catch friendly-style times and frequency words. This is original classroom practice, not an official exam paper.

1 Key knowledge and worked examples

Three clocks. The routine clock: present simple with frequency words (always, usually, often, sometimes, never) placed before the main verb and after be. The clock clock: 7.15 is quarter past seven; 7.45 is quarter to eight; past means passed, to means climbing. The Friday clock: am/is/are + verb-ing with a future time word is an arrangement; on Fridays (with s) is a routine.

2 Practice

2.1 Place the frequency word: She is late, with always. [1]

2.2 Friendly style: 7.45 and 3.30. [2]

2.3 Routine or arrangement: They are visiting Grandma on Sunday. [1]

2.4 What does the letter s change in: on Fridays? [1]

2.5 Name the five rungs of the frequency ladder. [5]

3 Exam-style questions

3.1 (*Sort style.*) Sort these sentences into routine or arrangement: I usually walk to school; We are seeing the dentist on Tuesday; She never drinks coffee; I am meeting Li at six. [4]

3.2 (*Time style.*) Write these times in the 24-hour style: quarter past seven; half past nine; quarter to eight. [3]

3.3 (*Trap style.*) A friend says quarter to seven for 7.45. Correct them, and explain the rule in one line. [2]

Solutions

2.1 She is always late (1).

2.2 Quarter to eight (1); half past three (1).

2.3 An arrangement (present continuous with one future time) (1).

2.4 On Fridays means every Friday; on Friday means this one Friday (1).

2.5 Always (1); usually (1); often (1); sometimes (1); never (1).

3.1 Routine: I usually walk to school (1); She never drinks coffee (1). Arrangement: We are seeing the dentist on Tuesday (1); I am meeting Li at six (1).

3.2 7.15 (1); 9.30 (1); 7.45 (1).

3.3 Correction: quarter to seven is 6.45; 7.45 is quarter to eight (1); rule: to climbs to the NEXT hour, so the hour named is the one being approached (1).

Local review guidance: (R1) 3.1 sorts by time word, not verb shape alone; 3.2 checks each digit pair; 3.3 states the next-hour rule. Authored guidance.