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HomeTalk

thoughtful conversations for families and schools

Issue 43 – Time

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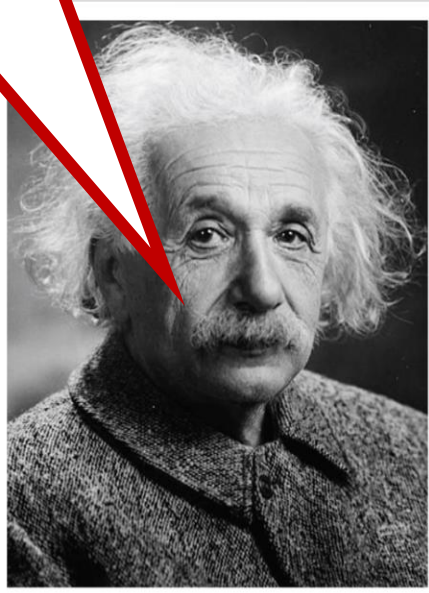
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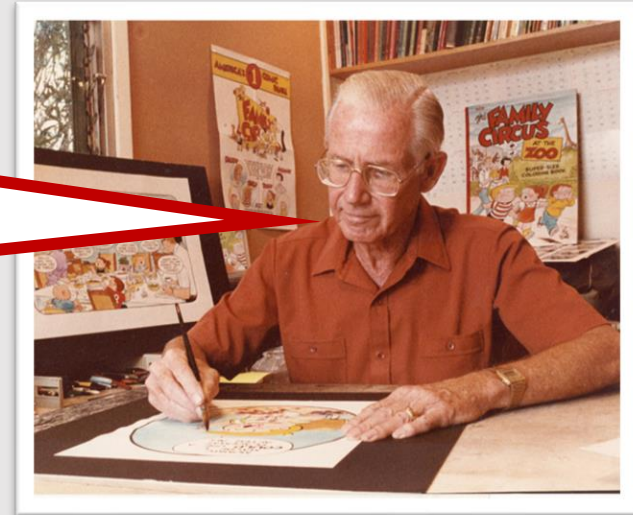
This week's focus is time

The only reason for time is so everything doesn't happen at once.



Albert Einstein
scientist

Yesterday's the past, tomorrow's the future, but today is a gift. That's why it's called the present.



Bil Keane
cartoonist

Yesterday is gone. Tomorrow has not yet come. We have only today. Let us begin.



Mother Teresa
nun and missionary

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Thinking about time

Caring thinking

How can we make the most of time, and value it?

Can we 'waste' time?

Collaborative thinking

Do we remember better when we think with other people about things that have happened?

Why might that be?



Creative thinking

How would you explain time to someone else?

Critical thinking

Why is time important?

Can time speed up or slow down?

What plans have you got for the next week?

What are some of the most exciting things that have happened to you?

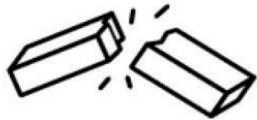
When you think of your best memories, what things do you think of?



Think **AHEAD**

Think **BACK**

CONNECT



DIVIDE

LISTEN/LOOK

ZOOM (in/out)

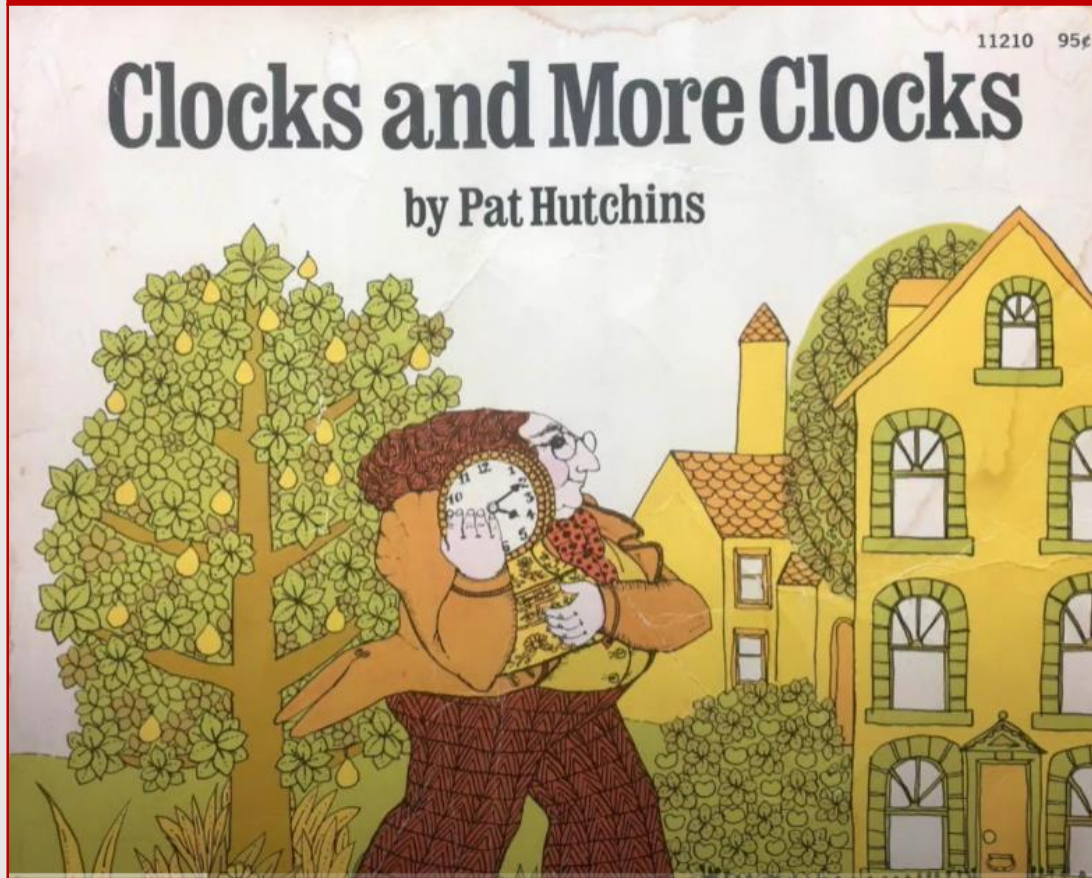
Do people remember the same things in different ways?

How can you use your senses to make the most of every day?

How is time different for humans, animals and our world?
What are signs around you that show time is passing?

Discussion suggestions (age 3 - 5)

Stimulus



<https://youtu.be/3YiO79aYTbE>

Talking Points

- How many clocks did Mr. Higgins have?
- Why was Mr. Higgins getting cross?
- Why do you think we need clocks?
- What are some important times for you?
- How good are you at telling the time?
- Does it matter if we can't tell the time?

Activities

- Go round your house and find all the different ways that time is shown – for example clocks, watches and dials.
- Make your own clock and practice telling the time: <https://youtu.be/c7DM2xmaf4c>

Discussion suggestions (age 6 - 9)

Stimulus



<https://youtu.be/OLbLrjwzsOw>

The Time Machine – Little Rainbow Academy

Talking Points

- What would you do if you found a time machine? How would you feel?
- What could happen if you changed something in the past?
- Would you prefer to go back or forward in time? Explain your reasons.
- Do you think time travel is possible?

Activities

- Watch 'The Time Machine' film again and write a story or script to go with it, to explain what happens.
- Think about something that has happened to you, or something you have learnt in History, and imagine things turned out differently.

Discussion suggestions (age 10+)

Stimulus



<https://youtu.be/XFQZfeHq9wo>

The Giving Tree by Shel Silverstein

Talking Points

- Did the boy change in the story? How?
- Did the tree change in the story?
- Is this a sad or a happy story? Why?
- What does the story tell us about time passing and things changing?

Activities

- Try to find out the height and age of some of the trees in your garden or near your house. Use this to help:
<http://www.newport.gov.uk/documents/Leisure-and-Tourism/Countryside/Measuring-Trees.pdf>
- Find out what is the oldest tree in the world. How much history has it seen?

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