

Elapsed Time

Elapsed time is the amount of time that passes between two times: the start time and the end time. There are a few ways to find elapsed time.

The swim meet started at 5:30 p.m. It ended at 8:00 p.m.
How long was the swim meet?



T-Chart

Time	Hours and Minutes
5:30	start
6:30	1 hour
7:30	1 hour
8:00	30 minutes

Add the hours and minutes together.

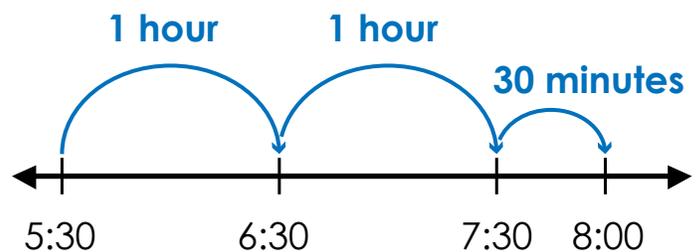
1 hour + 1 hour = 2 hours
30 minutes

The swim meet was

2 hours and 30 minutes long.

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Number Line



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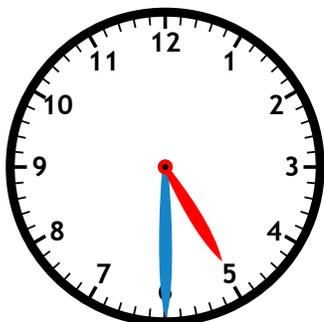
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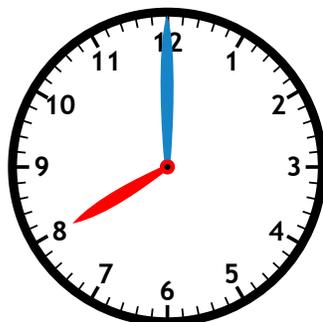
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Clocks



Start Time



End Time

How many hours and minutes passed?

The elapsed time is

2 hours and 30 minutes.