



ON BUSINESS



A QUARTER TO



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Half past ("What time is it?" "It's half past 3.")



A quarter after/past ("What time is it?" "It's a quarter after eight."
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A quarter to ("What time is it?" "It's a quarter to seven.")



On business ("Where is Ethan? Is he on vacation?" "No, he's in London on business.")



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Believe it or not ("Believe it or not, Mom is going to let Dad get a motorcycle." "No way!")

To be just looking ("Can I help you?" "No, thanks. I'm just looking today.")

In black/red/blue, etc. ("Do you have this shirt in red?" "Yes, we do.")

To try on/To try . . . on ("Try on these pants. They're really cute, and they're in your size." "OK! I'm going to try this dress on too.")

Of course. ("Are you going to Brian's party tomorrow?" "Of course.")