

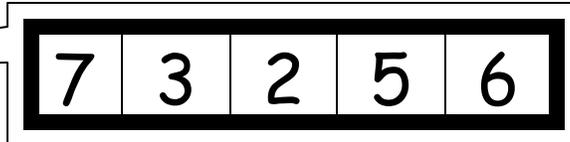
Reading Your Electric Meter

Locate your electric meter; it should look something like this. Depending on the brand and age of your meter, you may have a digital meter that contains all numbers or a dial meter that contains circles with numbers.



Digital Reading

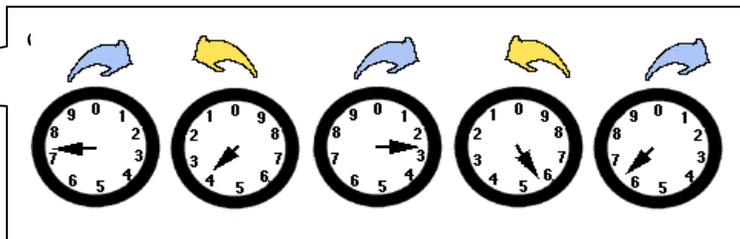
Your meter will probably look something like this:



- In the center of the meter there will be a display containing 5 numbers.
- Read the meter number from left to right.
- The correct reading for this meter is 73256.

Dial Reading

Your meter will probably look something like this:



- It will have four or five dials on it. When you look at the dials carefully, you'll notice that the dial pointers on the meter alternate turning clockwise and counterclockwise.
- Read the meter dials from right to left. Look at the first dial on the right. It is turning clockwise and the hand is between the six and the seven. When the dial pointer is between two numbers, write down the lower of the two numbers. You want to record the number that the hand just passed -- in this case, six. Continuing from your right, the second dial is turning counterclockwise and is just past the five. Therefore, you want to write down the number five. On the middle dial, the pointer is between two and three. The reading will, therefore, be two. The fourth dial from the right comes next. It is turning counterclockwise and points between the three and four. The reading will be three. Finally, the fifth dial on the far left must be read. It is turning clockwise and is between the seven and the eight. The reading will be seven.
- The correct reading for this meter is 73256.
- When a dial pointer appears to be exactly on a number, look back at the dial to the right. If the pointer on that dial has not passed zero, the reading on the dial in question is the lower number.