

## Numbers

Please note the different use of **full-stops (GB) or periods (US) and commas** in English and French!

- In numbers the full-stop/period is always pronounced as “point” (5.68 = five point six eight)
- In Internet address it is pronounced “dot”: ---.com > dot com

Note also that **currency signs** come before the number in English.

**Telephone numbers:** always read each number individually!

06.35.68.17.12 is zero(h) six three five six eight one seven one two

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| 135                                                                                   | a/one hundred and thirty-five (Note: there is always an “and” before the tens.)                                                |
| 2,476                                                                                 | two thousand, four hundred and seventy-six                                                                                     |
| 1,568,940                                                                             | one million, five hundred and sixty-eight thousand, nine hundred and forty                                                     |
| 1.57 million                                                                          | one point five seven million                                                                                                   |
| 1,000,000,000<br>1 billion / 1bn                                                      | US: a/one billion<br>(old GB: a/one thousand million)                                                                          |
| 1,000,000,000,000                                                                     | US: one trillion<br>(old GB: one billion)                                                                                      |
| 1/2: 1 ½                                                                              | a half: one and a half                                                                                                         |
| 1/3: 1/4                                                                              | a third: a quarter                                                                                                             |
| 1/5: 1/6                                                                              | a fifth: a sixth...                                                                                                            |
| 0.53                                                                                  | US: zero point five three<br>GB: nought (or “oh”) point five three<br><br><b>Note: never say zero/nought point fifty-three</b> |
| \$3.99                                                                                | three dollars ninety-nine (cents)                                                                                              |
| 25p                                                                                   | twenty-five p (pence)                                                                                                          |
| \$10 billion                                                                          | ten billion dollars                                                                                                            |
| €5.536 billion                                                                        | five point five three six billion euros                                                                                        |
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| 1 <sup>st</sup> , 21 <sup>st</sup> , 31 <sup>st</sup> , ...                           | The first, twenty-first, thirty-first,...                                                                                      |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 22 <sup>nd</sup> , 32 <sup>nd</sup> ,...                            | The second, twenty-second, thirty-second...                                                                                    |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 23 <sup>rd</sup> , 33 <sup>rd</sup> ,...                            | The third, twenty-third, thirty-third                                                                                          |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> , 5 <sup>th</sup> , ... 10 <sup>th</sup> ,... 100 <sup>th</sup> , ... | The fourth, fifth, ... tenth,... the hundredth,...                                                                             |