

Where the Wild Things Are Challenging Task

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How long did Max spend in the Land of the Wild Things?

And an ocean tumbled by with a private boat for Max

and he sailed off through night and day

and in and out of weeks

and almost over a year

to where the wild things are.

But Max stepped into his private boat

and waved goodbye

and sailed back over a year

and in and out of weeks

and through a day

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1 year + 2 weeks + 1 day

+ 5 days in the Land of The Wild Things

**In The Land Of the Wild
Things**

365 days
+
1 year + 2 weeks + 1 day
+ 5 days

At Home

*Where he found his supper
waiting for him
and it was still hot.*

**In The Land Of the Wild
Things**

365 days
+
1 year + 2 weeks + 1 day
+ 5 days
= 750 days

At Home
5 minutes

**In The Land Of the Wild
Things**

750 days

At Home

5 minutes

Problem:

How much time passes in the Land of the Wild Things, compared with one minute in the real world? How much faster is time in the Land of the Wild Things?

Extension:

Max went to sleep, after eating his supper, at 9pm and woke up at 6.30am. He then went straight back to the Land of the Wild Things. How much time has passed there?

The next time Max returned it was four years later, at age 12. How much time had passed now?