Lesson 7

Prepositions

on
in
at
next to
under
near
above
below
between
opposite
behind
Prepositions

Prepositions of Place

Prepositions of Movement

Prepositions of Time
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Prepositions of Place

We use prepositions of place in front of a noun to say *where something is.*
Prepositions

Where?

at home
in the house
on the table
under the table
in front of the house
above the painting
below the clock
near my house
next to the chair
behind the house
opposite the bank
Prepositions

- on
- under/below
- over/above
- in
- behind

- in front of
- between
- into
- out of
- up

- through
- across
- beside/next to
- around
The most frequent prepositions of place are in, at and on.
We use “in” to say something is inside a larger space.
Prepositions

**Examples**

* in the box
* in the house
* in the city
* in the cupboard
Prepositions

In

Use ‘in’ with: towns / cities / countries.

Examples

They live in Italy.
in Europe / in Turkey / in Trabzon
Prepositions

In

Use ‘in’ with: a taxi, the car.

Examples

★ She was in a taxi.
★ She was in the car.
Prepositions

In

Use ‘in’ with: the North, the South, the east, the West.

I live in the north of Turkey.
Use ‘in’ with: the corner

Let’s sit in the corner.
Prepositions

Use ‘in’ with: the centre / center

Examples

★ There are museums in the centre of the town.
Use ‘in’ with: the world

Examples

★ He’s the best singer in the world.
Prepositions

Use ‘in’ with: a newspaper, a book

Examples

I saw the news in the newspaper.
Use ‘in’ with: **the sky**

- There are clouds in **the** sky.
We use “at” with a place or a point.
Prepositions

At

Examples

at work

at the station

at the door

at university
Prepositions

At

Use “at” with: home

Examples

🌟 She’s at home.
Prepositions

**At**

*Use “at” with: places of study / work.*

**Examples**

- at the doctor’s / at work
- at university / at school
- at the office
Prepositions

At

Use “at” with: the top / the bottom

Examples

It’s at the top of the page.

It’s at the bottom of the page.
Use “at” with: the end (of)

Examples

The cinema is at the end of the Street.
Prepositions

At

Use “at” with: the airport, the station

Examples

Let’s meet at the airport.
Use "at " with: a concert, a party.

Examples

★ I saw her at the party.
Prepositions

On

Examples

* on the table

* on the bus

* on the left
Prepositions

On

Use "on" with: the left, the right

Examples

★ The restaurant is on the left.
Prepositions

On

Use “on” with: the bus / plane / train / ship

Examples

★ The passengers are on the train.
Use “on” with: TV

There’s a good film on TV tonight.
We don’t use "the" after the preposition in some expressions.

Examples:
- at home
- at university
- in bed
- at school
- at college
More prepositions of place

Under

e.g.
The ball is under the box.
Prepositions

More prepositions of place

Below

e.g.

The ball is below the box.
More prepositions of place

**Above**

e.g.
The ball is above the box.
Prepositions

More prepositions of place

Opposite

e.g.

The library is opposite the bank.
More prepositions of place

In front of

e.g.
The ball is in front of the box.
More prepositions of place

Behind

The ball is behind the box.

e.g.
More prepositions of place

Next to

e.g.

The ball is next to the box.
More prepositions of place

**Between**

*The ball is between the flowers.*
More prepositions of place

Outside

The child is outside the house.
Prepositions

More prepositions of place

Near

e.g.
The tree is near the house
Prepositions of Time
We use ‘at’, ‘in’ and ‘on’ before time expressions.
Prepositions

When?

in 1937
in May
on 5 May
at 9.00
at breakfast
in the afternoon
on Thursday
at night
Prepositions

**At**

Use “at” with: an exact time; e.g. clock time.

Examples

★ We’re leaving at 7.25.
★ The film starts at 9.00
Use “at” with: meal time.

Examples

★ We discussed at breakfast time.

★ We can meet at lunchtime.
Prepositions

At

Use “at” with: the weekend.

Examples

★ We played tennis at the weekend.
Use “in” with: parts of the day. (morning, afternoon, evening)

Examples

★ It’s colder in the evening.
★ I saw her in the morning.
Prepositions

Use “in” with: months

Examples

★ The festival is in March.
★ Autumn starts in September.
Use “in” with: seasons (spring, summer, winter, autumn)

Examples

★ It happened in spring.
★ The snow falls in winter.
Prepositions

Use “in” with: years

Examples

★ Atatürk died in 1938.
★ She was born in 1984.
Use “on” with: dates

Examples

★ The Olympics began on 15 July.
Use “on” with: days

- The Maths lesson is on Monday.
- My interview is on Thursday afternoon.
We don’t use a preposition (at, in, on) with:

- **this**

  e.g.

  I woke up late this morning.
We don’t use a preposition (at, in, on) with; last

e.g.
The shop opened last month.
We don’t use a preposition (at, in, on) with:

- **next**

**e.g.**

The lesson starts next week.
We don’t use a preposition (at, in, on) with:

every

e.g.

We play chess everyday.

They call me every morning.
We don’t use a preposition (at, in, on) with “today”, “tonight”, “yesterday”, “tomorrow”.

Before and after are also prepositions of time.

Before: Let’s meet before 7.00

After: She came after 8.00
Prepositions of Movement
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They show where somebody or something is going.
### Prepositions of Movement

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She walked into the forest.
They went through the door.
She walked across the bridge.
She’s driving along the road.
We went out of the room.
I traveled from Berlin to Paris.
We use ‘by’ to talk about a way of traveling.

- We went to school by bus.
- David goes to work by bike.
We also use ‘by’ to say who wrote or produced something.

The play Macbeth was written by Shakespeare.
Prepositions

Other prepositions

with

We use ‘with’ to mean -together-.

I went out with my best friend.

My sister stays with my parents.
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Exercises

Prepositions of Time

Prepositions of Place

Prepositions of Movement
A. Underline the correct word in bold.

1. I stayed at home / on home / in home all day yesterday.
2. The next festival takes place in / on / at Trabzon.
3. The new game starts in / on / at August.
4. We meet in every / on every / every week.
5. Most people like to travel in / with / by car.
6. I was born in / on / at 1984.
7. We usually go to the gym in / on / at the morning.
8. There was a clock at / on / in the corner of the room.
9. The house is between / on / with the mountains and the sea.
10. I live in / on / at the north of the country.
B. Complete the sentences with ‘in’, ‘on’ or ‘at’.

1. They got up …… lunchtime.
2. It was cold …… the evening.
3. He’s still …… work.
4. What happens …… the end of the story?
5. I go to ballet classes …… Saturdays.
6. There’s a spider …… the wall.
7. What are you doing …… the weekend?
8. I’ll see you …… Sunday.
9. She’s sleeping …… bed.
10. Our house is …… the left.
11. What’s the longest river …… the world?
12. Jack studies law …… university.
13. Where are the children? Are they …… school?
14. There’s a park …… the top of the hill.
15. There’s somebody …… the busstop.
C. Circle the correct answer.

1. Shall we meet ........ Friday?

A) at
B) in
C) on
D) to
E) for
C. Circle the correct answer.

2. There are a lot of fruits …… the trees.

A) at  
B) in  
C) with  
D) on  
E) for
C. Circle the correct answer.

3. Write your name …… the top of the page.

A) at
B) in
C) with
D) to
E) for
C. Circle the correct answer.

4. I didn’t see my friends …… the party.

A) at
B) in
C) with
D) to
E) for
C. Circle the correct answer.

5. The holiday season opens ….. June in Turkey.

A) at
B) in
C) with
D) to
E) for
C. Circle the correct answer.

6. John isn’t ….. work this week. He’s ….. holiday.

A) at / in
B) in / at
C) on / at
D) on / in
E) at / on
C. Circle the correct answer.

7. Do you like traveling …… plane?

A) in
B) on
C) to
D) by
E) above
C. Circle the correct answer.

8. My house is the last one …… the left.

A) in  
B) on  
C) to  
D) by  
E) above
C. Circle the correct answer.

9. The fire started at ........

A) yesterday
B) two hours ago
C) midnight
D) the morning
E) the evening
C. Circle the correct answer.

10. I read a book about justice on ............

A) yesterday
B) now
C) July
D) Tuesday
E) last month
C. Circle the correct answer.

11. Are they playing tennis ........ next week?

A) on
B) at
C) in
D) with
E) -
C. Circle the correct answer.

12. She’ll be 24 years old …… 26 May.

A) on
B) at
C) in
D) with
E) -
C. Circle the correct answer.

13. I was born on ...........

   A) March
   B) 10 March
   C) the weekend
   D) 1984
   E) 4 o’clock in the morning
C. Circle the correct answer.

14. We left school at ...........

A) 2010
B) the morning
C) the evening
D) Monday
E) 5.00
C. Circle the correct answer.

15. We saw each other …… lunchtime.

A) at
B) on
C) in
D) with
E) for
C. Circle the correct answer.

16. My family goes ..... holiday ...... every summer.

A) in / -
B) in / on
C) - / in
D) on / in
E) on / -