

Prepositions of time

IN	ON	AT
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Parts of the day: <i>in the morning, in the afternoon, in the evening.</i> - Months: <i>in January</i> - Seasons: <i>in winter</i> - Years: <i>in 1999, in the 1970s</i> - Centuries: <i>in the 17th century</i> - In + a period of time: <i>in five minutes, in a few days, in six weeks...</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Days: <i>on Tuesday</i> - Dates: <i>on June 23rd</i> - Day + Part of the day: <i>on Monday morning</i> - Special dates: <i>On Christmas day, on New Year's day, on Easter Sunday...</i> - On a sunny day, on that day... 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Clock times: <i>at seven thirty</i> - At lunchtime, at midday, at midnight, at noon, at dawn - At the weekend, at weekends - Public Holiday Periods: <i>At Easter, at Christmas</i> - At the end of.. <i>(At the end of June...)</i> - At the age of <i>(at the age of three...)</i> - At that time, at the moment, at present

We don't use **in, on, at** before these expressions: **this, next, last, every, today, tomorrow, tonight, yesterday.**

- I'll see you **next Friday.**
- They got married **last March.**
- Come to my house **tomorrow morning.**

Complete with **in, on** or **at**:

- a. What are you doing **on** Saturday?
- b. Can you wake me up **at** 6.30?
- c. The classes start **on** September 8th.
- d. I'll be at work late **on** Tuesday morning.
- e. I have my guitar lessons **at** 10.00 **on** Wednesdays.
- f. She got married **on** Easter Monday.
- g. My new job starts **on** April 17th.
- h. Can we meet at lunchtime **on** Tuesday?
- i. We all went to Wales **at / on** the weekend.
- j. I usually go skiing **in** February.
- k. She finished school **in** 1996.
- l. My mother usually comes to stay **at** Christmas.
- m. I don't like driving **at** night.
- n. Our garden looks wonderful **in** the spring.
- o. I usually stop work **at** 5.00 **in** the afternoon.

- p. I'll finish university **in** June.
- q. I last saw her **in** 1998.
- r. Carola was born at 8.25 in the evening **on** Thursday 17th April 2000.
- s. I'm never hungry early **in** the morning.
- t. It gets very hot here **in** the summer.

Fill in the gaps with **at**, **on** or **in** where necessary. (-) **nothing**

- 1. Mr Simpson is arriving **on** Friday.
- 2. I like walking in the park **on** hot days.
- 3. The accident happened - yesterday evening.
- 4. I'm very busy **at** the moment.
- 5. Tom plays tennis - every Sunday.
- 6. The bus leaves **in** ten minutes.
- 7. They were at the zoo - last Saturday.
- 8. I have a doctor's appointment - today.
- 9. We can go to the beach **on** Sunday.
- 10. My family has lunch **at** noon.
- 11. We give presents **at** Christmas.
- 12. Don't forget to call Jill - tonight.
- 13. The farmer woke up **at** dawn and fed the chickens.
- 14. Jason was asleep **at** midnight.

Write **at/in/on**.

- 1. Goodbye! See you **on** Friday.
- 2. Where were you **on** 28th February?
- 3. I got up **at** 8 o'clock this morning.
- 4. I like getting up early **in** the morning.
- 5. My sister got married **in** May.
- 6. Diane and I first met **in** 1979.
- 7. Did you go out **on** Tuesday?
- 8. Did you go out **on** Tuesday evening?
- 9. Do you often go out **in** the evening?
- 10. Let's meet **at** 7.30 tomorrow evening.
- 11. I often go away **at / on** the weekend.
- 12. I'm starting my new job **on** 3rd July.
- 13. We often go to the beach **in** summer.
- 14. George isn't here **at** the moment.
- 15. Julia's birthday is **in** January.
- 16. Do you work **on** Saturdays?
- 17. The company started **in** 1969.
- 18. I like to look at the stars **at** night.
- 19. I'll send you the money **at** the end of the month.