

Prepositions of Time and Place

Prepositions of time and place are used to indicate specific time or location relationships in a sentence.

Here's some information about each:

PREPOSITIONS OF TIME:

1. **Examples:** Some common prepositions of time include "in," "on," "at," "during," "before," "after," "since," and "until."
2. **Usage:**
 - "In" is used for general time periods, months, years, and longer durations.
 - For example:
 - "in the morning,"
 - "in July,"
 - "in 2022."
 - "On" is used for specific days, dates, and weekdays.
 - For example:
 - "on Monday,"
 - "on June 5th,"
 - "on Christmas Day."
 - "At" is used for precise points in time, specific hours, and times of the day.
 - For example:
 - "at 8 o'clock,"
 - "at noon,"
 - "at midnight."
 - "During" is used to indicate a period or event within a specific time frame.
 - For example:
 - "during the summer,"
 - "during the meeting."
 - "Before" and "after" indicate the order of events or actions.
 - For example:
 - "before dinner,"
 - "after the movie."
 - "Since" is used to specify the starting point of a time period that continues until the present.
 - For example:
 - "since yesterday,"
 - "since 2010."
 - "Until" indicates the endpoint or duration until a certain time or event.
 - For example:
 - "until tomorrow,"
 - "until the end of the week."

PREPOSITIONS OF PLACE:

1. **Examples:** Some common prepositions of place include "in," "on," "at," "under," "above," "below," "inside," "outside," "between," and "among."
2. **Usage:**
 - "In" is used to indicate being within the boundaries or confines of a place.
 - **For example:**
 - "in the house,"
 - "in the city."
 - "On" is used to indicate a surface or contact point.
 - **For example:**
 - "on the table,"
 - "on the floor."
 - "At" is used to indicate a specific point or location.
 - **For example:**
 - "at the park,"
 - "at the bus stop."
 - "Under" denotes being beneath or lower than something.
 - **For example:**
 - "under the tree,"
 - "under the bridge."
 - "Above" signifies being higher or over something.
 - **For example:**
 - "above the clouds,"
 - "above the surface."
 - "Below" indicates being lower or beneath something.
 - **For example:**
 - "below sea level,"
 - "below the horizon."
 - "Inside" refers to being within the interior of something.
 - **For example:**
 - "inside the house,"
 - "inside the box."
 - "Outside" denotes being in the exterior or beyond the boundaries of something.
 - **For example:**
 - "outside the building,"
 - "outside the fence."
 - "Between" indicates the position or relationship of two objects or people.
 - **For example:**
 - "between the two chairs,"
 - "between Monday and Tuesday."
 - "Among" indicates a position or relationship within a group or multiple objects.
 - **For example:**
 - "among friends,"
 - "among the books."

Understanding these prepositions of time and place will help you accurately convey temporal and spatial relationships in your writing and conversation. It's important to consider the specific context and usage patterns to use these prepositions effectively.

ACTIVITIES :

Exercise 1 – Use ‘on’, ‘in’ or ‘at’

Fill in the blanks with the correct prepositions of time.

1. The parent-teacher meeting is ___ 10 A.M.
2. I do not have any classes ___ Sunday.
3. This year it started to snow ___ November.
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Exercise 2 – Underline the preposition of time

Read the sentences and identify the preposition of time.

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3. On a Christmas evening, we met in Amsterdam.
4. The train will leave at 5 a.m. on Sunday morning.
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