

PREPOSITIONS

of

Time

Place

Movement

We use prepositions of place to say where Somebody or something is.

We use prepositions of time to say when something happens, happened or will happen.
The most common ones are **at, in, on.**

We use prepositions of movement to show the direction in which somebody or something is moving.

Prepositions of time

at

The time: at 7 o'clock.
Holidays: at Christmas
at Easter,
at the weekend.
In the expressions:
at the moment,
at present,
at dawn, at noon,
at night, at night,
at midnight.

in

Months: in September...
Seasons: in the winter...
Years: in 2001
Centuries: in the 20th
century.
In the expressions:
in the morning/afternoon/
evening. In an hour. In a
minute. In a week/ few
days/month/year.

on

Days: on Monday
On New Year's Day
Dates: on May 6th
Part of particular day
on Tuesday evening
Adjective + day:
On a hot day.

Note: We don't use prepositions of time

a) With the words: **today, tomorrow, tonight, yesterday.**

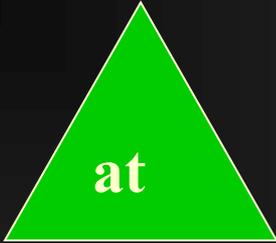
Come to my house **tomorrow morning.**

b) Before the words : **this, last, next, every, all, some, each, one, any.**

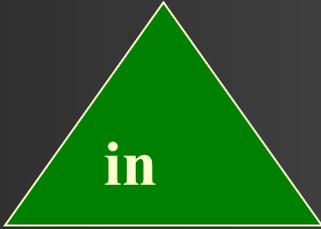
Let's go to the cinema **next Sunday.**

Prepositions of place

These include: on, under, in front of, beside/ next to, near, at, in, between and among. We use **between** to say that somebody or something is in the middle of two things or people. We use **among** to say that somebody or something is in the middle of three or more things or people.



at



in



on

In the expressions: at
school/ university/
work/home, at the top...,
at the bottom of...

With addresses when we
mention the house number:
At 20 Oxford street, but in
Oxford street.

In the expressions:

In the middle, in the air,
In the sky, in bed, in hospital,
In prison, in a newspaper
/magazine, in a picture.
With names of cities,
countries, continents:
In England, in Europe.

In the
expressions:
On the left,
On the right,
On the first/
second floor.

We say:

On a chair

In an armchair

Prepositions of movement

These include: over, along, across, up, down, into, out of, round, onto, through, from...to.



over



through

When we talk about a means of transport, we use preposition **by**.

BUT: on foot



on foot

by taxi

