

Prepositions of time

I can use a variety of prepositions of time.

1 Complete the rules. Use *in*, *on* and *at*.

- We use _____ with months (e.g. *May*).
- We use _____ with times (e.g. *one o'clock*).
- We use _____ with parts of the day (e.g. *the afternoon*).
- We use _____ with days (e.g. *Monday*).
- We use _____ with years (e.g. *2015*).
- We use _____ with celebrations (e.g. *New Year*).
- We use _____ with festival days (e.g. *Children's Day*).
- We use _____ with dates (e.g. *20 March*).
- We use _____ with seasons (e.g. *autumn*).
- We use _____ with *night* and *the weekend*.

2 Complete the text with the correct prepositions: *in*, *on* and *at*.

HOME EDUCATION

Liam Brown lives with his mum on a small island in Scotland. They live a long way from a town, so Liam doesn't go to school. His mum teaches him at home.

'I have lessons from Monday to Thursday. Mum lets me sleep until nine in the morning and we start lessons

¹ _____ ten, after breakfast. The kitchen is my classroom and the kitchen table is my desk! We have a break at 11.30. During the break Mum lets me play computer games! My mum always gives me homework. I usually do it before dinner. ² _____ Fridays we travel to a city and visit museums and art galleries. I don't meet other children very often so I also go to a badminton club there ³ _____ the afternoon. ⁴ _____ the weekend I don't have lessons. ⁵ _____ Saturday mornings I play tennis with my dad or we sometimes go walking. I study all the usual subjects and I take national exams. My next exams are next year. I think they're ⁶ _____ June. I have the normal school holidays in the summer, and I don't have school ⁷ _____ 20 September – that's my birthday!'

3 In the text in exercise 2, underline examples of the prepositions below.

after before during from ... to until

4 Complete the sentences with prepositions from exercise 3.

- In our school, lunch break is _____ 12.30 _____ 1.30.
- Lessons finish at four. _____ that, I usually go to a school club.
- We have to study six subjects _____ we are sixteen. After that we can choose subjects.
- I always do my homework _____ dinner. After dinner I watch TV and play computer games.
- We can't use mobile phones _____ lessons.

5 Underline the mistakes with prepositions in these sentences. Rewrite the sentences correctly.

- I don't go to school in Sunday. ✗

- I like to play football during the weekend. ✗

- Do you give people presents at New Year's Day? ✗

- I do my homework on the evening. ✗

- The supermarket is open to six o'clock. ✗

- I often go to the beach on the summer. ✗

VOCAB BOOST!

When you learn new words or phrases, say them out loud four or five times. This will help you to remember them.

on Sunday, on Sunday, on Sunday, on Sunday
in June, in June, in June, in June
at two o'clock, at two o'clock, at two o'clock, at two o'clock

6 Read the *Vocab boost!* box. Choose four phrases that include prepositions of time from this page and repeat each one four times.