

Prepositions of Place/Movement

Match the words with the pictures :

off, between, down, on top of, over, in/inside, above, in front of, past, up, among, next to/by/beside, from ... to, on, through, under, below, behind, along, opposite, at, round/around, near, outside, against, onto, out of, across, to/towards/in the direction of, into



1. *in/inside*



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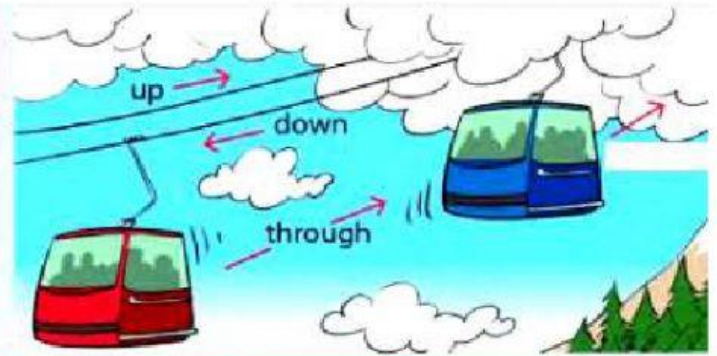
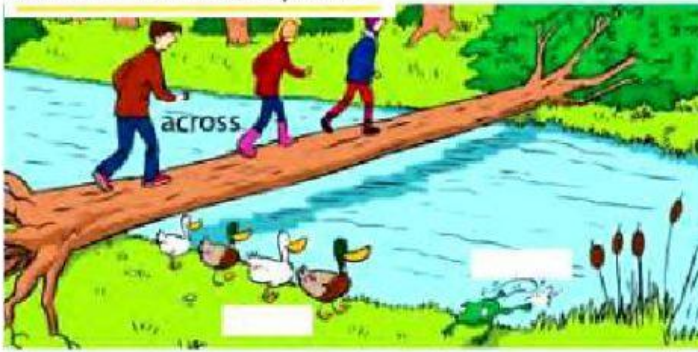


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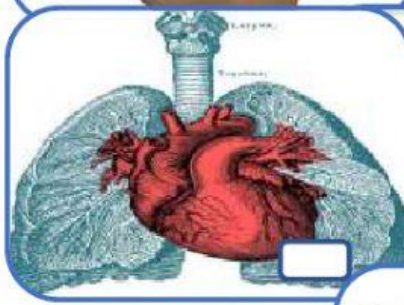
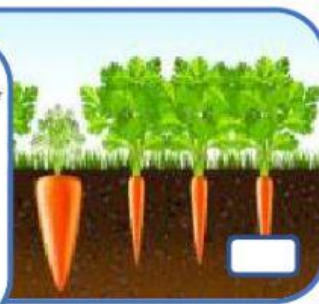


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▶ Look at the pictures above. Listen and answer each question



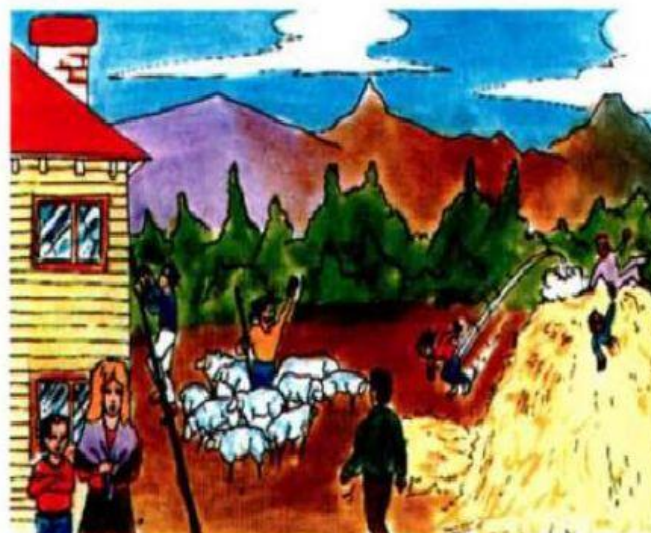
circle the correct answers.
Listen and check.



- 1 Carrots grow **below** / above the ground.
- 2 Your index finger is **next to** / under your thumb.
- 3 Pearls grow **inside** / between oyster shells.
- 4 Your heart is **behind** / in front of your lungs.
- 5 Dundee is **in** / near Scotland.
- 6 The giant clam is a shellfish which lives in the sea **inside** / among coral structures.
- 7 It's not a good idea to stand **opposite** / against a wall that has a 'wet paint' sign on it.

Fill in the gaps with the correct preposition.

This is Sunnyside Farm. Farmer Smith is standing 1)
 among his sheep. His children are playing 2)
 the haystack. One of them is jumping 3)
 it, 4) some more hay 5)
 There's a ladder leaning 6)
 the farmhouse and a man is climbing 7)
 it. Mrs Smith is standing 8) the
 farmhouse with a shawl 9) her shoulders.
 Her son Jim is standing 10) her.
 There's another man walking 11) the
 haystack 12) Farmer Smith.



Fill in the gaps with the correct preposition.



This is Newton High Street. There are people walking
 1) up and 2) the street. An
 old man is walking 3) the road at
 the zebra crossing. A young couple are walking 4)
 the pavement 5) the
 post office. A boy is walking 6) "Thompson's
 Sports" shop. He's holding a bag 7) his
 arms. 8) the bus-stop there is a bus.
 Some people are getting 9) it while
 some others are getting 10) it. The bus
 goes 11) the centre of town 12)
 the outskirts.

in + cities/towns/the streets/the suburbs/an armchair/danger/the middle of/a queue/prison/hospital/a book/
 a newspaper/the country/the sky/a line/a row/a hotel/the centre of/the park

Idioms with in: cash, pen, ink, pencil, writing, one's opinion, a way (=in a manner), the end

at + house number (at 23 Oxford St)/home/school/university/work/the bus stop/the door/the crossroads/
 the match/the station/the airport/the seaside/the bottom of/a hotel/table/desk/the top of (but: on top of)

on + the floor/the outskirts/a platform/foot/holiday/the River Seine/the border/this street/a farm/the screen/
 an island/a beach/the coast/the right/the left/the pavement/a trip/the way/the streets

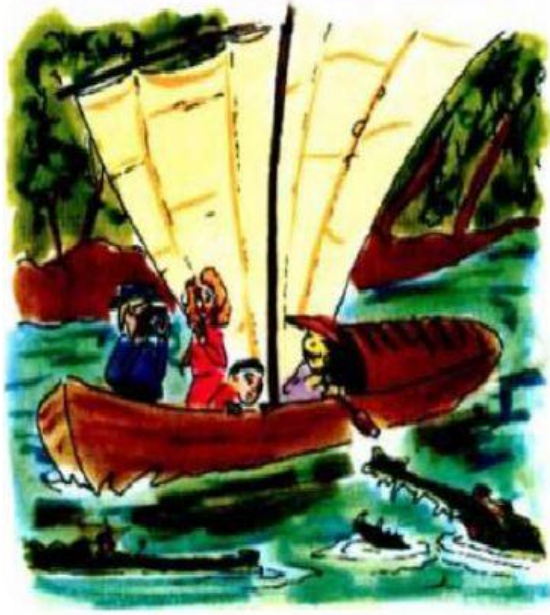
Idioms with on: holiday, business, a journey, a trip, TV, the radio, the phone, the market (= available
 to the public), purpose, the way (= as I was going)

by + bus/taxi/car/helicopter/plane/train/coach/ship/boat/air/sea BUT we say: **on a/the** bus/plane/train/coach/
 ship/boat - **in a** taxi/car/helicopter/plane

Idioms with by: mistake, accident, chance

Compare: Tom is sitting **in the** café. (He's inside the place). He's **at the** café. (He's drinking something-event)

Fill in the gaps with the correct preposition.



Last year my family went 1) ... *on* holiday to Thailand. We went 2) air; it was a very long journey but we were very well looked after 3) the plane by all the stewardesses. When we arrived 4) the airport we went directly to our hotel 5) taxi. There was a lot of traffic 6) the streets of the city and there were many people walking 7) the pavements. We stayed 8) a large hotel 9) the outskirts of Bangkok. We were given a wonderful suite 10) the top floor of the hotel. The most enjoyable day I had was when we went 11) a trip 12) boat, down the river to the crocodile farm. We had a wonderful holiday.