19 Prepositions of place (2)

1 *in front of, behind, opposite, between*

in front of		*Joanne is **in front of** Simon.* *Annie sits **in front of** me in the class.*
behind		*Simon is **behind** Joanne.* *There's a police car **behind** our car.*
opposite		*The snack bar is **opposite** the ticket office.* *My house is **opposite** the post office.*
between		*Simon is **between** Joanne and Mariella.* *That's me in the photo – **between** mum and dad.*

✗ ~~*The snack bar is opposite to the ticket office.*~~
✓ *The snack bar is **opposite** the ticket office.*

2 Describing a picture

We use prepositions to describe where things are in a picture.
Read this description of the picture at the top of the page.

The picture shows the entrance to a festival.
***At the front** we can see the ticket office. Three people are waiting for tickets.*
*There's a festival stage **at the back**.*
*The ticket office is **on the left** of the picture and the snacks are **on the right**.*
***In the centre** there's a group of people.*
***At the top** we can see the sky and **at the bottom** we can see some children.*

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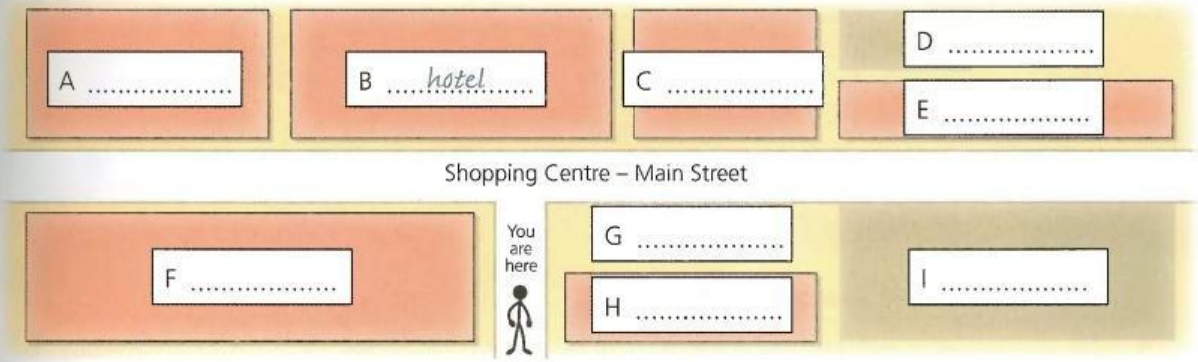
Practice

1 Look at the plan below. Then choose the correct words in *italics*

0 A is on the *right* / *left* of B.
1 C is *opposite* / *between* B and E.
2 D is *in front of* / *behind* E.
3 F is *opposite* / *between* A and B.
4 G is *between* / *in front of* H.
5 G is *opposite* / *in front of* C.
6 I is on the *right* / *left* of H.
7 E is *behind* / *opposite* I.
8 C is on the *right* / *left* of E.



2 GRAMMAR IN USE Now read the text. Write the correct places in the plan.

The biggest building in the shopping centre is the department store. It's opposite the supermarket and a small hotel. The hotel is on the right of the supermarket. On the right of the hotel is a cinema, and opposite that is the café, which has a lot of tables and chairs in front of it. The café is on the left of the bus station, which is opposite the sports centre. That has a small area behind it with a tennis court.

3 GRAMMAR IN USE Look at the photo. Complete the text with the correct words from the box.

back ~~front~~ left right top

The picture shows a scene from Chinese New Year in London. At the (0) ....*front*..... we can see people holding models of a dragon and a bird. There are some old buildings and shops on the (1) ..... and (2) ..... of the picture. It is a nice day because we can see blue sky at the (3) ..... . Behind all the people, at the (4) ..... , there are more colourful things that are part of the festival.

4 Now look at a picture in the room you are in, or find a picture from this book. Write three sentences with prepositions to describe it.

At the front I can see .....

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