

A

In

in the rain / in the sun / in the shade / in the dark / in bad weather etc.

- ☐ We sat **in the shade**. It was too hot to sit **in the sun**.
- ☐ Don't go out **in the rain**. Wait until it stops.

(write) in ink / in pen / in pencil

- ☐ When you do the exam, you're not allowed to write **in pencil**.

Also (write) in words / in figures / in capital letters etc.

- ☐ Please write your name **in capital letters**.
- ☐ Write the story **in your own words**. (= don't copy somebody else)

(be/fall) in love (with somebody)

- ☐ They're very happy together. They're **in love**.

in (my) opinion

- ☐ **In my opinion**, the movie wasn't very good.



the shade

B

On

on TV / on television / on the radio

- ☐ I didn't watch the news **on television**, but I heard it **on the radio**.

on the phone

- ☐ I've never met her, but I've spoken to her **on the phone** a few times.

(be/go) on strike

- ☐ There are no trains today. The drivers are **on strike**.

(be/go) on a diet

- ☐ I've put on a lot of weight. I'll have to go **on a diet**.

(be) on fire

- ☐ Look! That car is **on fire**.

on the whole (= in general)

- ☐ Sometimes I have problems at work, but **on the whole** I enjoy my job.

on purpose (= intentionally)

- ☐ I'm sorry. I didn't mean to annoy you. I didn't do it **on purpose**.

C

On holiday / on a trip etc.

We say: (be/go) on holiday / on business / on a trip / on a tour / on a cruise etc.

- ☐ I'm going **on holiday** next week.
- ☐ Emma's away **on business** at the moment.
- ☐ One day I'd like to go **on a world tour**.

You can also say 'go to a place for a holiday / for my holiday(s)':

- ☐ Steve has gone to France **for a holiday**.

D

At the age of ... etc.

We say **at the age of 16** / **at 120 miles an hour** / **at 100 degrees** etc. :

- ☐ Tracy left school **at 16**. or ... **at the age of 16**.
- ☐ The train was travelling **at 120 miles an hour**.
- ☐ Water boils **at 100 degrees Celsius**.

We are now flying **at a speed** of 800 kilometres an hour and **at an altitude** of 9,000 metres.



127.1 Complete the sentences using **in** + the following:

capital letters	cold weather	love	my opinion
pencil	the rain	the shade	

- Don't go out in the rain. Wait until it stops.
- Matt likes to keep warm, so he doesn't go out much _____.
- If you write _____ and make a mistake, you can rub it out and correct it.
- They fell _____ almost immediately and were married in a few weeks.
- Please write your address clearly, preferably _____.
- It's too hot in the sun. I'm going to sit _____.
- Amanda thought the restaurant was OK, but _____ it wasn't very good.

127.2 Complete the sentences using **on** + the following:

business	a diet	fire	holiday	the phone
purpose	strike	TV	a tour	the whole

- Look! That car is on fire! Somebody call the fire brigade.
- Workers at the factory have gone _____ for better pay and conditions.
- Soon after we arrived, we were taken _____ of the city.
- I feel lazy this evening. Is there anything worth watching _____?
- I'm sorry. It was an accident. I didn't do it _____.
- Richard has put on a lot of weight recently. I think he should go _____.
- Jane's job involves a lot of travelling. She often has to go away _____.
- A: I'm going _____ next week.
B: Where are you going? Somewhere nice?
- A: Is Sarah here?
B: Yes, but she's _____ at the moment. She won't be long.
- A: How was your exam?
B: Well, there were some difficult questions, but _____ it was OK.

127.3 Complete the sentences with **in**, **on** or **at**.

- Water boils at 100 degrees Celsius.
- When I was 14, I went _____ a trip to France organised by my school.
- There was panic when people realised that the building was _____ fire.
- Julia's grandmother died recently _____ the age of 79.
- Can you turn the light on, please? I don't want to sit _____ the dark.
- We didn't go _____ holiday last year. We stayed at home.
- I hate driving _____ fog. You can't see anything.
- I won't be here next week. I'll be _____ holiday.
- Technology has developed _____ great speed.
- Alan got married _____ 17, which is rather young to get married.
- I heard an interesting programme _____ the radio this morning.
- _____ my opinion, violent films should not be shown _____ television.
- I wouldn't like to go _____ a cruise. I think I'd get bored.
- I shouldn't eat too much. I'm supposed to be _____ a diet.
- I wouldn't like his job. He spends most of his time talking _____ the phone.
- The earth travels round the sun _____ 107,000 kilometres an hour.
- 'Did you enjoy your holiday?' 'Not every minute, but _____ the whole, yes.'
- A lot of houses were damaged _____ the storm last week.