

You can also say 'in six months' time', 'in a week's time' etc. :

- They're getting married **in six months' time.** or ... **in six months.**

We also use **in ...** to say how long it takes to do something:

- I learnt to drive **in four weeks.** (= it took me four weeks to learn)

**On/in time, at/in the end** → Unit 122 **In/at/on (position)** → Units 123–125  
**In/at/on (other uses)** → Unit 127 **American English** → Appendix 7

## ercises

## Unit 7

1 Complete the sentences. Use **at, on or in** + the following:

the evening	about 20 minutes	1492	the same time
the moment	21 July 1969	the 1920s	night
Saturdays	the Middle Ages	11 seconds	

- Columbus made his first voyage from Europe to America in 1492
- If the sky is clear, you can see the stars \_\_\_\_\_
- After working hard during the day, I like to relax \_\_\_\_\_
- Neil Armstrong was the first man to walk on the moon \_\_\_\_\_
- It's difficult to listen if everyone is speaking \_\_\_\_\_
- Jazz became popular in the United States \_\_\_\_\_
- I'm just going out to the shop. I'll be back \_\_\_\_\_
- (on the phone) 'Can I speak to Dan?' 'I'm afraid he's not here \_\_\_\_\_
- Many of Europe's great cathedrals were built \_\_\_\_\_
- Ben is a very fast runner. He can run 100 metres \_\_\_\_\_
- Liz works from Monday to Friday. Sometimes she also works \_\_\_\_\_

2 Put in **at, on or in**.

- Mozart was born in Salzburg in 1756.
- I haven't seen Kate for a few days. I last saw her \_\_\_\_\_ Tuesday.
- The price of electricity is going up \_\_\_\_\_ October.
- \_\_\_\_\_ weekends, we often go for long walks in the country.
- I've been invited to a wedding \_\_\_\_\_ 14 February.
- Jonathan is 63. He'll be retiring from his job \_\_\_\_\_ two years' time.
- I'm busy just now, but I'll be with you \_\_\_\_\_ a moment.
- Jenny's brother is an engineer, but he doesn't have a job \_\_\_\_\_ the moment.
- There are usually a lot of parties \_\_\_\_\_ New Year's Eve.
- I don't like driving \_\_\_\_\_ night.
- My car is being repaired at the garage. It will be ready \_\_\_\_\_ two hours.
- The telephone and the doorbell rang \_\_\_\_\_ the same time.
- Mary and David always go out for dinner \_\_\_\_\_ their wedding anniversary.
- It was a short book and easy to read. I read it \_\_\_\_\_ a day.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Saturday night I went to bed \_\_\_\_\_ midnight.
- We travelled overnight to Paris and arrived \_\_\_\_\_ 5 o'clock \_\_\_\_\_ the morning.
- The course begins \_\_\_\_\_ 7 January and ends sometime \_\_\_\_\_ April.
- I might not be at home \_\_\_\_\_ Tuesday morning, but I'll be there \_\_\_\_\_ the afternoon.

3 Which is correct: a, b, or both of them?

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| 1 a I'll see you on Friday.                     | b I'll see you Friday.                        | _____ |
| 2 a I'll see you on next Friday.                | b I'll see you next Friday.                   | _____ |
| 3 a Paul got married in April.                  | b Paul got married April.                     | _____ |
| 4 a They never go out on Sunday evenings.       | b They never go out Sunday evenings.          | _____ |
| 5 a We often have a short holiday on Christmas. | b We often have a short holiday at Christmas. | _____ |
| 6 a What are you doing the weekend?             | b What are you doing at the weekend?          | _____ |
| 7 a Will you be here on Tuesday?                | b Will you be here Tuesday?                   | _____ |
| 8 a We were ill at the same time.               | b We were ill in the same time.               | _____ |
| 9 a Sue got married at 18 May 1996.             | b Sue got married on 18 May 1996.             | _____ |
| 10 a He left school last June.                  | b He left school in last June.                | _____ |