

Lesson 20 Prepositions of Time

1. Grammar Link

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2. Grammar Introduction

A. Prepositions of Time

I was born in	1996. November. the winter. the twentieth century. the morning.	• Prepositions of time express when something happens. • in + year/month/season/century • in + the morning/afternoon/evening
I was born on	November 29 th , 1996. Saturday. Saturday morning.	• on + date • on + (Sunday ~ Saturday) • on + (Friday) morning/afternoon/evening/night
I was born at	night. 11:00.	• at + noon/night/midnight • at + 'clock time'

Write the time preposition, in, on, or at.

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| 1 the summer | 5 night |
| 2 April 1 st | 6 seven o'clock |
| 3 Wednesday | 7 1977 |
| 4 Friday night | 8 the afternoon |

Complete the sentence using in, on, or at.

- We will start space travel 2020.
- They usually eat lunch noon.
- Who was born December 25th?
- Mary will travel to Europe the fall.
- I get up 6:30 the morning.



B. Useful Time Questions

Question	Answer	
What time is it?	It's 6 o'clock .	It's 7:12. (It's seven twelve.) It's 3:05. (It's three O five.)
What day is it?	It's Sunday .	Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday Sunday
What month is it?	It's January .	January February March April May June July August September October November December
What year is it?	It's 2008 .	It's 1998. (It's nineteen ninety eight.) It's 2005. (It's two thousand five.)
What is the date today?	It's December 24th .	1 st first 2 nd second 3 rd third 4 th fourth 5 th fifth 6 th sixth 7 th seventh 8 th eighth 9 th ninth 10 th tenth 21 st twenty first

Write the question.

- A: B: It's August.
- A: B: It was August 15th.
- A: B: It was 1945.
- A: B: It's Wednesday.
- A: B: It's 10:45.

Circle the correct answer.

- It's 9:25. It's nine o'clock twenty five. It's nine twenty five.
- It's May 21st. It's May twenty first. It's May twenty one.
- It's 2010. It's two ten. It's two thousand ten.
- It's 1978. It's one nine seven eight. It's nineteen seventy eight.
- It's 12:05. It's twelve O five. It's twelve five o'clock.

B Complete the sentence using in, on, or at.

- 1 I left the library 8 o'clock last night.
- 2 Mary has a swimming class Saturday.
- 3 They will leave for Tokyo Monday, Jan. 25th.
- 4 We like to get up early the morning.
- 5 I read night before I go to bed.
- 6 The telephone was invented the 19th century.
- 7 What do you do the evening?
- 8 Where were you Monday morning?
- 9 There is a school concert March 15th.
- 10 My dad was born 1968.
- 11 We usually go camping the summer.
- 12 Mike takes a nap the afternoon.
- 13 What time do you go to bed night?
- 14 Let's meet 3:30 tomorrow afternoon.
- 15 There is a final exam Friday.

Grammar Summary

Prepositions of Time		Useful Time Questions	
I was born in	1996.	What time is it?	It's 6:30.
	the winter.	What day is it?	It's Sunday.
	November.	What month is it?	It's January.
I was born on	November 29 th , 1996.	What year is it?	It's 2008.
	Monday.	What's the date today?	It's Dec. 24 th .
I was born at	11:00 at night.		