

## CHAPTER 4: PREPOSITIONS AND ADVERBS OF TIME

### LESSON 18: PREPOSITIONS OF TIME: IN - ON - AT

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## AT

We use "at" to express a precise time

- at 5 o'clock
- at 11:30 pm
- at lunchtime
- at the moment
- at midnight
- at sunrise
- at sunset

## ON

We use "on" before days and dates.

- on Friday
- on Mondays
- on 4 July
- on 17 March 1966
- on Children's Day
- on his birthday
- on Mother's Day

## IN

We use "in" before months, years, centuries and long period of time.

- in November
- in winter
- in 2001
- in the 20th century
- in Stone Age

## PRACTICE EXERCISES

### Exercise 1: Write the words under the correct preposition

Monday morning	9 o'clock	lunchtime	Tuesday	August
Easter	New Year's Eve	1997	the weekend	Christmas
the afternoon	my birthday	17th March	the past	the 60s

IN

ON

AT

## Exercise 2: Choose the correct alternative

1. Farmers pick cherries \_\_\_\_\_ summer.  
a) in      b) on      c) at

2. Mollie's birthday is \_\_\_\_\_ Tuesday so we have only two days to prepare a surprise party.  
a) in      b) on      c) at

3. \_\_\_\_\_ Father's Day I will give a nice present to my father.  
a) in      b) on      c) at

4. The football match is \_\_\_\_\_ 8 O'CLOCK. Shall we watch it together?  
a) in      b) on      c) at

5. I get up early \_\_\_\_\_ the morning and have a big breakfast.  
a) in      b) on      c) at

6. The bell rings \_\_\_\_\_ noon and the students have their lunch.  
a) in      b) on      c) at

7. Sarah would like to get a nice pink dress \_\_\_\_\_ her birthday.  
a) in      b) on      c) at

8. My father sometimes comes home late \_\_\_\_\_.  
a) in      b) on      c) at

9. I will graduate from secondary school \_\_\_\_\_.  
a) in      b) on      c) at

10. Turkish people celebrate Children's Day \_\_\_\_\_.  
a) in      b) on      c) at

**Exercise 3: Fill in the blanks with the prepositions of time "in, on, at".**

1. The meeting is going to start \_\_\_\_\_ ten o'clock \_\_\_\_\_ the morning.
2. World Environment Day is \_\_\_\_\_ June 5.
3. Look! Phoebe is having toast and coke \_\_\_\_\_ the moment.
4. I want to see the lions \_\_\_\_\_ lunchtime.
5. Benjamin feels very tired \_\_\_\_\_ Fridays. He has a French course after school.
6. Theo and Liam will be in Hawaii \_\_\_\_\_ July. They will spend their holiday there.
7. What does Hannah like doing \_\_\_\_\_ her free time?
8. People play practical jokes on each other \_\_\_\_\_ April Fools' Day.
9. It is dangerous to go out here \_\_\_\_\_ night because there are wild animals.
10. \_\_\_\_\_ 20 August 2009 Ellie and Finley got married.
11. People in this village pick mushrooms \_\_\_\_\_ spring after a lot of rain.
12. I will finish university and get a good job \_\_\_\_\_ 2018.
13. Jayden and Lexi met \_\_\_\_\_ a cold and snowy day in Paris.
14. Some people wake up \_\_\_\_\_ sunrise and go jogging.
15. I think people will travel by flying cars \_\_\_\_\_ the 22nd century.

### Exercise 4: Choose the correct answer:

1. Craig's birthday is \_\_\_\_\_ February 15th.  
A. at      B. in      C.on
2. It is always cold \_\_\_\_\_ January in England.  
A. at      B. in      C.on
3. It can be dangerous to walk alone \_\_\_\_\_ night.  
A. at      B. in      C.on
4. The train leaves \_\_\_\_\_ 8 o'clock tomorrow morning.  
A. at      B. in      C.on
5. Let's meet at the restaurant \_\_\_\_\_ 7 PM.  
A. at      B. in      C.on
6. My family always eats turkey \_\_\_\_\_ Christmas day.  
A. at      B. in      C.on
7. English class is \_\_\_\_\_ 10 AM on Monday mornings.  
A. at      B. in      C.on
8. I love swimming in the sea \_\_\_\_\_ the summer time.  
A. at      B. in      C.on
9. I graduated from high school \_\_\_\_\_ 2010.  
A. at      B. in      C.on
10. The graduation ceremony was held \_\_\_\_\_ the 20th of March.  
A. at      B. in      C.on