

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 _____ night.
a) in b) on c) at
9. I will graduate from secondary school _____ 2015.
a) in b) on c) at
10. Turkish people celebrate Children's Day _____ the April 23.
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 Hawai _____ 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