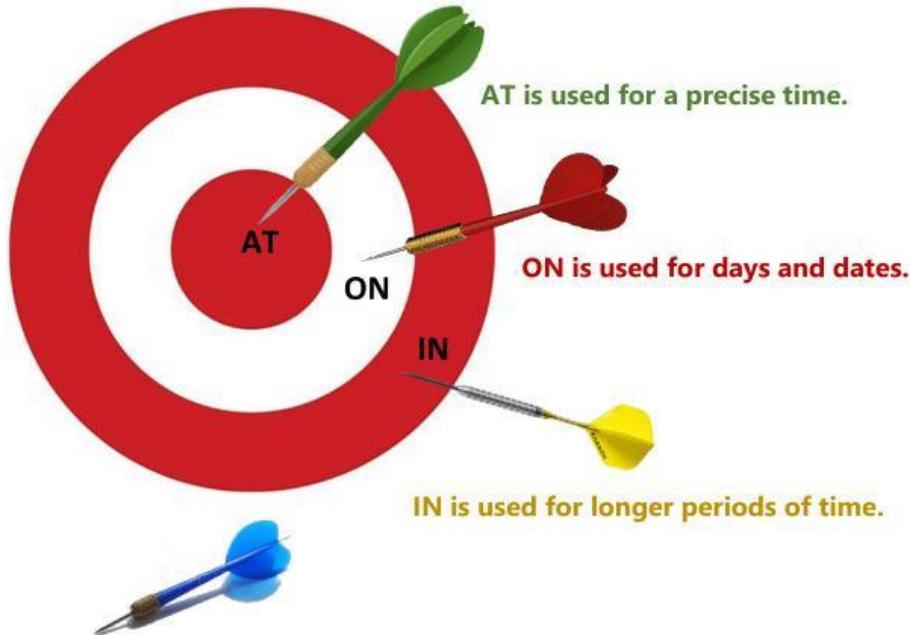


*Don't laugh at my little drawing.
Sometimes a visual helps things
stick in the memory.*

I want you to note well the difference between AT and IN:
AT is used for exact times, but
IN is used for longer periods.
That is why we use IN with "in the morning" or "in a half hour":
because these are extended (although short) periods of time.

And, of course, this is English, so there must be exceptions to the rule, for example: *AT night*.



No preposition is used with *today, tomorrow, or before next, last, every*.

Here is some practice. Choose among **at, on, in** or **X** (if no preposition is needed).

____ 7:30	____ spring	____ this Friday
____ the 31 of May	____ last month	____ Halloween
____ the 1800s	____ dinnertime	____ night
____ the same time	____ Sunday morning	____ half an hour
____ Eastertime	____ the Renaissance	____ the moment
____ 9 July	____ 4 o'clock	____ every year
____ tomorrow	____ Sunday evening	____ the afternoon
____ Mondays	____ the evenings	____ sunrise
____ the future	____ the end of time	____ Christmas Eve
____ once	____ graduation day	____ a few minutes

Now, use **at, on, in** or **X** to complete the sentences.

Let's meet ____ noon ____ Saturday.

The manager isn't here ____ the moment, but she'll be back ____ a few minutes.

Julie's birthday is ____ next week ____ August 16.

You won't be working ____ Saturday nights ____ the future, will you?

I'll be finished with my work ____ an hour.

Their flight arrives ____ 10:30 ____ tomorrow.

Grampa was born ____ the 1930s.

Steven will retire ____ December. We will have a party for him ____ November 30.

My grandparents visit us ____ every Christmas.

We will start building the house ____ spring.

Don't call me ____ lunch time, please. I won't be able to hear you in the restaurant.

Could you come ____ Monday morning?

I'm going to do the presentation at their company ____ next week.

They're getting married ____ two months.

This beautiful building was built ____ the 16th century.

The situation ____ present is very difficult.

John's away on holiday ____ the moment.

I've got two days off ____ Easter.

We told him about it ____ the following day.

You can wait for him. He'll be back ____ ten minutes.

The company is closed ____ public holidays.