

Grammar Station

Prepositions of Time

★ We use **prepositions of time** to say when something happens.

Preposition of Time				
at	time	at nine o'clock	at 7:30	at lunchtime
	the part of the day	at noon	at night	at midnight
on	day / date	on Monday(s)	on June 10	
	special days	on my birthday	on New Year's Day	
in	month / year	in July	in 2014	
	season	in summer	in winter	
	the part of the day	in the morning	in the evening	

★ We use **when** or **what time** to ask about time.

Wh-question		Answer
When	do you	I go home in the afternoon .
What time	does she	She goes home at 4:30 .



When does he go hiking?
- He goes hiking **on Saturdays**.



What time do you get up?
- I get up **at seven o'clock**.

★ Circle the correct words.

at 1:00 on May in January in midnight
on April 6 at summer on Thursday
at July on 2000 in the morning at noon

A Choose and write the time expressions.

Monday midnight September March 1 spring
11 o'clock the evening Thanksgiving Day lunchtime

at

at midnight

on

in

B Circle the correct words.



- I go to school (at / on / in) eight o'clock.
- My dad finishes his work (at / on / in) the evening.
- They enjoy skiing (at / on / in) winter.
- There is a party (at / on / in) Christmas Day.

C Match and complete the answers with **at, on, or in**.

- What time does the class start? • I walk him _____ the morning.
- When does he have a concert? • It leaves _____ noon.
- When do you walk your dog? • It starts at nine o'clock.
- What time does the train leave? • He has a concert _____ May 7.

A Choose and complete the sentences.



- Children have snowball fights in winter.
- Americans eat turkey _____.
- The boys often play soccer _____.
- Lauren walks her dog _____.

the morning
the afternoon
winter
Thanksgiving Day

B Complete the dialogues with *when* or *what time* and the correct prepositions.

- A What time do you have lunch? B We have lunch at noon.
- A _____ does school start? B It starts _____ March.
- A _____ does he get up? B He gets up _____ 7:30.
- A _____ do you go shopping? B I go shopping _____ Sundays.
- A _____ does the train arrive? B It arrives _____ the evening.

C Correct the underlined words and rewrite the sentences.

- Julia's birthday is at May 9. → Julia's birthday is on May 9.
- They have a meeting in six o'clock. → _____
- He enjoys camping on spring. → _____
- What does he finish work? → _____
- When time do you go to sleep? → _____

Grammar in Writing

When you interview someone about his/her schedule, you can use prepositions of time.

Complete the interview with *when* or *what time* and the correct prepositions.

An interview with Sean McCoy

- Hello, Sean. When is your next skating competition?
I'm racing in the World Championship _____ December. It will be held in Paris _____ December 6.
Let's talk about your schedule.
_____ do you start practicing?
I start practicing _____ 10 o'clock _____ the morning.
_____ do you finish practicing?
I finish _____ midnight.
Then, _____ do you rest?
I rest _____ Sundays.
Wow, you practice really hard!



Review!

Complete the chart.

Preposition of Time			
time	<u>at</u> two o'clock	_____ 8:30	_____ lunchtime
the part of the day	_____ noon	_____ night	_____ midnight
	_____ the morning	_____ the afternoon	_____ the evening
day/date	_____ Monday	_____ May 9	_____ New Year's Day
month/season/year	_____ September	_____ winter	_____ 2002