



IN ON AT

Prepositions of Place **IN ON AT**

Do you know how to use these prepositions to talk about a place?

Here are some examples:

Put the milk **in** the fridge.

My notebook is **on** the desk.

We meet **at** the football field after school

Round-Robin Questions

Students to answer using complete sentences:

Where is your English book?

On the desk.

Where do you sleep?

In my bed. **In** my room.

Where is your pencil case?

On the desk **OR In** my bag.

Where is your mother?

At my house **OR At** work.

Notice: When we say where things are, the preposition goes before the noun!

We use **IN** when we talk about something **BIG** like:

He lives **in** (a country).

The best weather is **in** (a province)

I want to stay **in** (a city)

There are many fish **in** (the sea, a dam, a river, a lake)

My dad lives **in** (the forest, countryside, mountains)

I left my phone **in** (a car, bus, train, taxi, plane)

My bag is **in** (my room, the kitchen, the classroom, the library, etc.)

Where is your best friend?

He/she is in _____. (A country / province / city / room, etc.)

We use **ON** when we talk about **ON** something (a surface).

The clock is **on** the wall.

The cats play **on** the floor.

My pen is **on** my desk.

The gym is **on** the 2nd floor.

The library is **on** Main Road.

She is selling sandwiches **on** the street.

Where is your father's office?

His office is on the 15th floor.

We use AT when we talk about a place.

Wait for me **at** your house.
I live **at** 23 Pine Street.
I'm **at** school.
We can meet **at** the coffee shop.
My dad is **at** work.
I am sitting **at** my desk.

Where do you hang out when you have free time?

At the mall.

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Prepositions of Time IN ON AT

We also use these prepositions to talk about time.

Here are some examples:

We can meet **at** 5 PM.
We have a meeting **on** Fridays.
I do my homework **in** the afternoon.

Round-Robin Questions

Students to answer using complete sentences:

What time do you have dinner? *We have dinner **at** 6.00 PM.*
When can you sleep late? *I sleep late **on** Saturdays.*
When do you do your homework? *I do my homework **in** the afternoon.*
When can we go swimming? *We can go **in** the spring.*
When do you have lunch? *I have lunch **at** break time.*

We use IN when we talk about a time during the day, longer times like a month, a season, or a year like:

I do my homework in (what part of the day? **In** the afternoon, **in** the evening)
My birthday is **in** (a month).
We play cricket / soccer **in** (a season).
We moved to America **in** (a year).
Our Christmas party is **in** (a month).
We go skiing **in** (a month or a season).

When is your birthday?

My birthday is **in** _____.

We use ON when we talk about days and dates.

On Fridays, we don't have homework.
It's her birthday **on** 3 May.
We are having a lunch **on** Christmas Day.
She was born **on** August 31st.

When is your birthday?

My birthday is **on** _____.

We use AT when we talk about a time or a time period.

He goes home **at** lunchtime.
I get up **at** 5.00 AM.
We will have lunch **at** noon.
I have no money **at** the moment.
I always go home **at** sunset.
We all get together **at** dinnertime.

When do you have lunch?

I have lunch **at** _____.

Comprehension Check

A couple of questions for the "better" students in class:

I met my friend _____ the library.
On a weekend I take a nap _____ in the afternoon.
My birthday is _____ May 7th.
I live _____ an apartment _____ the 11th floor.
My mom left _____ 5.00 AM.
It rains a lot _____ spring.