



PREPOSITIONS (1/2)

(time and place)

Les prépositions sont des mots invariables qui servent à établir un lien temporel, spatial ou logique entre deux éléments de la phrase. Elles sont le plus souvent suivies d'un groupe nominal ou d'un pronom.

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A1

Situer dans l'espace :

The book is **on** the bed.
 The book is **under** the bed.
 The book is **next to** the bed.
 The book is **behind** the bed.

Situer dans le temps :

She was at home **at** 12 o'clock.
 She was at home **before** 12 o'clock.
 She was at home **after** 12 o'clock.
 She's been at home **since** 12 o'clock.

IL EXISTE UNE CENTAINE DE PRÉPOSITIONS EN ANGLAIS.

Quelques exemples :

- **un mot** : in, on, under, near, behind, between, to, out, opposite, above, until, since, before, after...
- **plusieurs mots** : next to, in front of, instead of, according to, out of, far from...

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A2

IN / AT / ON

Trois prépositions très fréquentes en anglais pour situer quelqu'un ou quelque chose dans l'espace ou le temps.

IN

+ espace clos

- In a room, in a building, in a photograph, in + country, in a garden, in + town/city, in a pool, in the sea...

IN

+ date non précise (mois, saison, année, décennies, période)

- It is very cold in December but it never rains in summer.
- I was born in 1987.
- Our house was built in the 1960s/in the sixties.

AT

+ endroit spécifique

- At the train station, at the bus stop, at the traffic light, at the theatre, at the door, at school, at home...

AT

+ moment spécifique

- At 2 o'clock, at breakfast, at sunset...

ON

+ surface

- On the table, on the floor, on the chair/bed, on his nose, on an island, on page 21...

ON

+ date ou jour de la semaine

- We go to the cinema on Wednesdays.
- They were born on the same day, on November 14th.

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B1

Les prépositions
introduisent des
nuances de sens
très précises.

- Meet me **at** the train station.
(Retrouve-moi à la gare/endroit spécifique).
- Meet me **in** the train station.
(Retrouve-moi dans la gare/espace clos).
- Ellen was standing **in** the corner of the room.
(Ellen se tenait dans un coin de la pièce/espace clos).
- Ellen was standing **at/on** the corner of the street.
(Ellen se tenait au coin de la rue/endroit précis).

EXERCISE A1

Soulignez la préposition ou les prépositions dans les phrases suivantes :

- 1. I found your keys on the desk next to the computer.
- 2. They met at a restaurant in Paris on September 4th.
- 3. Christopher Columbus made his first voyage from Europe to America in 1492.
- 4. We never go out in the evenings but we go to the cinema on Fridays.

EXERCISE A2

Ajoutez IN / AT / ON devant les expressions suivantes :

- 1. _____ the moment
- 2. _____ Christmas
- 3. _____ the afternoon
- 4. _____ the Middle Ages
- 5. _____ night
- 6. _____ Saturdays
- 7. _____ 10 Downing Street
- 8. _____ February

EXERCISE B1

Choisissez la ou les phrases correctes
(a, b ou les deux) :

- 1. **a)** She is standing at the door.
b) She put a poster on the door.
- 2. **a)** There is a new restaurant in Hampstead.
b) There is a new restaurant on Hampstead High Street.
- 3. **a)** They got married on April.
b) They got married in April.
- 4. **a)** I don't like driving at night.
b) I don't like driving in night.