

English Grammar – Prepositions of Time (in/on/at)

<u>Use</u>	<u>Examples</u>
in: period:	
month	in January
season	in the summer / winter / spring / autumn
year	in 1995
decade	in the 1970s
century	in the 21 st century
part-day	in the morning in the afternoon in the evening
middle	in the middle of the day in the middle of the night in the middle of the meeting
future	in two weeks in three months in ten years
on: date	on June 29 th
specific day	on Monday on my birthday on Christmas Day
specific part-day	on Monday morning on Tuesday afternoon on Wednesday evening
at: time	at 2 o'clock at 4:30pm at midday at lunchtime
the weekend	at the weekend (USA: on the weekend)
night	at night
the moment	at the moment
the beginning/start/end of	at the beginning of the year at the start of the season at the end of the day
holidays	at Christmas at Easter at New Year at Carnival

No preposition:

<u>Use</u>	<u>Examples</u>
tomorrow / yesterday	See you tomorrow. I did it yesterday. See you tomorrow morning. I did it yesterday afternoon.
ago	I went to Florida six weeks ago. I did it two days ago.
next / last	See you next Tuesday. I went to Florida last week.

Exercise 1. <https://agendaweb.org/exercises/grammar/prepositions/time-2>

Exercise 2. Complete the following with a preposition or leave blank.

- Jane will arrive _____ January 26th _____ 9 o'clock _____ the morning.
- It snows here every year _____ Christmas. We always go outside and play in the snow _____ Christmas day.
- Fred will go to the airport _____ Friday _____ midday.
- I was born _____ 1987.
- We will arrive _____ six days.
- Peter went to the park _____ yesterday.
- It's tradition to kiss your partner _____ midnight _____ New Year's Eve.
- The telephone was invented _____ the 1870s.
- The flight leaves _____ tomorrow morning _____ 7am.
- The garden is full of flowers _____ the spring.
- I'm watching TV _____ the moment.
- Let's go to the beach _____ the weekend.
- I prefer to study _____ night.
- My driving license will expire _____ five years.
- Please give me your homework _____ next Monday.
- I'll see you _____ ten minutes.

Exercise 3. Complete the following with a preposition or leave blank.

1. I finished work _____ 10 o'clock last night.
2. I saw Bob in the street _____ yesterday.
3. I didn't see you _____ last Tuesday.
4. He is a regular visitor _____ Tuesdays.
5. I spoke with her _____ Wednesday morning.
6. I last saw him _____ the beginning of September.
7. I saw him sometime _____ June.
8. Were you at the meeting _____ July 13th?
9. We bought the company _____ Thursday, May 22nd, 2003.
10. I spoke to her _____ three weeks ago _____ the weekend.
11. I bought this computer _____ the start of the summer.
12. I bought this computer _____ the summer.
13. I bought this computer _____ last summer.
14. This style was very popular _____ the 1960s.
15. They were very common _____ the middle of the 19th Century.
16. I was still at school _____ 1993.
17. I met him _____ April, last year.
18. Let's order pizza _____ Friday evening!
19. I started my job _____ the middle of last year.
20. I went to a meeting _____ 10am _____ yesterday.