

Dear Parents / Students

Due to the unprecedented situation, Knowledgeplus Training center is mobilized and will keep accompanying and supporting our students through this difficult time. Our Staff will be continuously, sending notes and exercises on a weekly basis through what's app and email. Students are requested to copy the notes and do the exercises on their copybooks. The answers to the questions below will be made available on our website on knowledgeplus.mu/support.php by 27th March 2020. Please note that these are extra work and notes that we are providing our students and all classes will be replaced during the winter vacation. We thank you for your trust and are convinced that, together, we will overcome these troubled times.

ENGLISH (Grade 8) – Extra Notes and homework. Week 1

Prepositions

Prepositions are words which show the relationship between a noun or a pronoun object and some other words in the sentence.

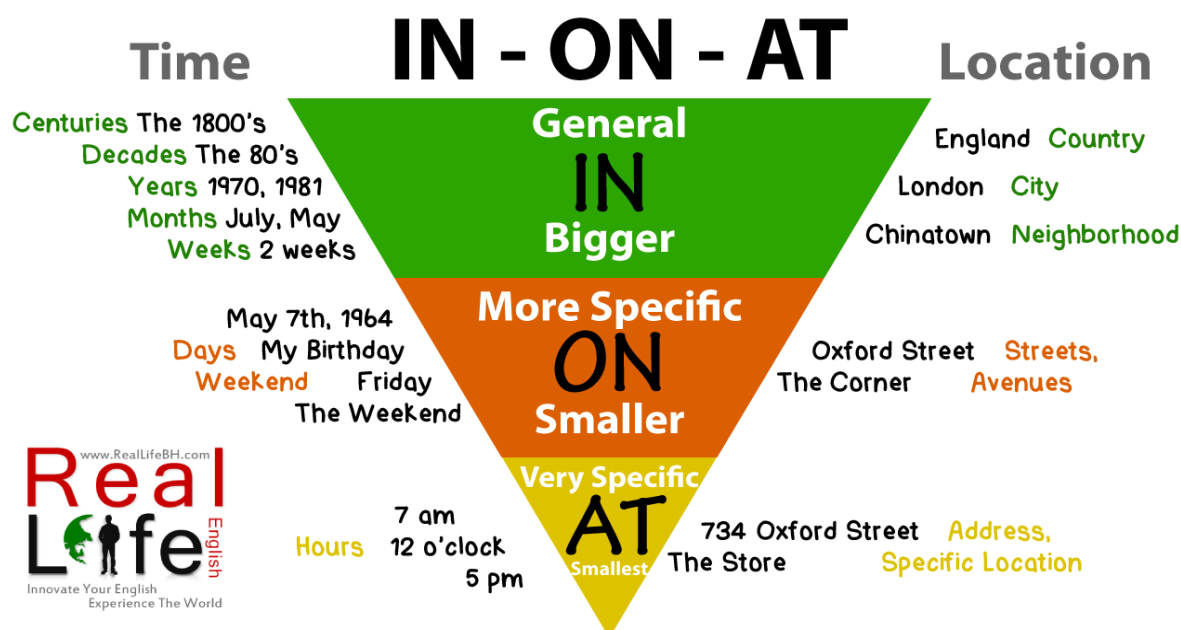
They are always followed by nouns or pronouns.

They are called "the biggest little words" in English because they have very important functions.

Three Groups of Prepositions:

- a. Prepositions of place, position and direction.
- b. Prepositions of time.
- c. Prepositions for other relationships.

SOME COMMON PREPOSITIONS				
PLACE	POSITION	DIRECTION	TIME	OTHER
above across along among at away from behind below beside between	beyond by down from in in front of inside into near off	on opposite out (of) outside over around through to towards under up	after before at by for during from in	except as like about with without by for



(The inverted pyramid above shall help you understand better on the use of prepositions.)

EXERCISE 1

Put in the correct preposition (at, in, on, or no preposition):

Preposition of Time

1. Lucy is arriving ____ February the 13th ____ 8 o'clock ____ the morning.
2. The weather is often terrible in London ____ January.
3. It's better to get a taxi if you are out alone ____ night.
4. She got married ____ September.
5. They usually go to the south of France ____ the summer.
6. Columbus sailed to the Americas ____ the 16th century.
7. The Beatles were popular ____ the 1960s.
8. I graduated from university ____ 2001.
9. His birthday is ____ June.
10. I usually go to my parents' house ____ Christmas. We eat turkey together ____ Christmas Day.

EXERCISE 2

Prepositions of Place

1. He's swimming _____ the river.
2. Where's Julie? She's _____ school.
3. The plant is _____ the table.
4. There is a spider _____ the bath.
5. Please put those apples _____ the bowl.
6. Frank is _____ holiday for three weeks.
7. There are two pockets _____ this bag.
8. I read the story _____ the newspaper.
9. The cat is sitting _____ the chair.
10. Lucy was standing _____ the bustop.
11. I'll meet you _____ the cinema.
12. She hung a picture _____ the wall.
13. John is _____ the garden.
14. There's nothing _____ TV tonight.
15. I stayed _____ home all weekend.
16. When I called Lucy, she was _____ the bus.
17. There was a spider _____ the ceiling.
18. Unfortunately, Mrs. Brown is _____ hospital.

19. Don't sit _____ the table, sit _____ a chair.

20. There are four cushions _____ the sofa.

EXERCISE 3

Verbs and Prepositions

1. Stop worrying _____ your exam - everything will be fine.
2. I've waited _____ Judy for 30 minutes. I'm going home.
3. Stop talking and concentrate _____ your work.
4. Don't forget to pay _____ the newspaper.
5. He explained the computer program _____ me.
6. I don't know what we'll do at the weekend. It depends _____ the weather.
7. She will arrive _____ Beijing at 3 p.m.
8. I like to listen _____ the radio when I wake up.
9. He borrowed £20 _____ his brother.
10. Who does this coat belong _____?
11. She left without paying _____ the meal.
12. It was so hot, I couldn't concentrate _____ my book.

13. Mothers always worry _____ their children.

14. Please explain the meaning of this word _____ your classmates.

15. I'm fed up with waiting _____ spring.

16. That car belongs _____ my father.