

Prepositions: In, At and On

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IN

ON

AT

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The prepositions IN, ON and AT can be used as prepositions of time, to tell us time relationships.

IN: is used with seasons (summer, winter, spring, fall), time of day (the morning, the afternoon, the evening), months (January, February, etc.), and year (2004, 2005, etc.)

ON: is used with days of the week (Monday, Tuesday, etc.), specific dates (July 1st), and specific days (the weekend, Christmas Day, New Year's Day)

AT: is used with meal times (lunch, breakfast), specific times (2:30 p.m, noon, night, midnight, dawn), other specific blocks of time (the present, the moment, the break) and general holiday times (Christmas, Easter).

EXAMPLES:

My birthday is in October.

What are you going to do on the weekend?

I will visit my family at Easter.

Complete the sentences with IN, AT or ON.

1. _____ Halloween, children dress up and go from house to house asking for treats.
2. Betsy arrived _____ 4:30pm for the two o'clock meeting. She's always late!
3. Dracula gets up _____ midnight and goes to bed _____ dawn.
4. Banks and government institutions are usually closed _____ Christmas (time).
5. What do you usually do _____ the afternoon?
6. My parents will go to the island of Capri _____ Easter.
7. _____ 1492, Columbus arrived on the island that is now called Cuba.
8. A: "Is your birthday _____ March?" B: "Nope. It's _____ August 7th."
9. A: "Can we meet _____ Thursday _____ 2:30 p.m.?" B: "I prefer to meet _____ the weekend. It's easier for me."
10. We always go to the beach _____ the summer.
11. Gladys always walks her dog _____ the morning because she doesn't like to go out _____ night.