



Prepositions of Place 1

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Exercise 1 – Learning

Prepositions of place in this lesson: **in, on, at, near**

This lesson introduces **prepositional phrases**: phrases that start with a **preposition** and end with a **place**.

- **at** home (*'at' = preposition. 'home' = place*)
- **in** the kitchen (*'in' = preposition. 'the kitchen' = place*)

Prepositional phrases are a kind of Subject Complement in the SVC sentence pattern:

- I am **at home**. ('I' = subject, 'am' = verb, 'at home' = complement)
- He is **in the kitchen**. ('He' = subject, 'is' = verb, 'in the kitchen' = complement)



In (area/space)

Use the preposition '**in**' to talk about people/things/animals that are inside an area or space:

- The chefs are **in** their kitchen.
- The marketing team is **in** the meeting room.

Also use '**in**' for cities and countries:

- Lisa is **in** New York.
- Peter is **in** Russia.

On (surface)

Use the preposition '**on**' to talk about people/things/animals that are supported by a surface:

- The children are **on** the floor.
- The couple is **on** the bed.



At (specific location)

Use the preposition '**at**' to talk about locations:

- The children are **at** school.
- The woman is **at** the hospital.

To understand the difference between "at" and "in," compare:

- The students are **at** school. They are **in** a classroom.
- The chefs are **at** the restaurant. They are **in** the kitchen.

Tip: We also use '**at**' to talk about specific times: at noon, at 3 p.m., at sunrise, etc.

Near

Use the preposition '**near**' to talk about people/things/animals that are close to something:

- A man is near the swimming pool.



Exercise 2 – Multiple Choice

Choose the correct answers to complete the sentences.

1. I'm _____ my bed.

- a) in
- b) at

2. I'm _____ home.

- a) in
- b) at

3. The fish are _____ the river.

- a) in
- b) near

4. My house is _____ a school.

- a) at
- b) near



5. My room is _____ the second floor.

- a) in
- b) on

6. The school is _____ Cesar Street.

- a) in
- b) near

7. The school is _____ the end of the street.

- a) at
- b) on

8. I am _____ a park.

- a) on
- b) near



Exercise 3 – Sentence Construction

Use what you learned in class to create sentences with your tutor.

Example: near. → I am near the computer.

Content:

1. in.
2. on.
3. at.
4. near.