

AT	
the time:	at two o'clock
holidays:	at Christmas at Easter at the weekend
in the expressions:	at the moment at present at dawn at noon/at lunchtime at night at midnight

IN	
months:	in March/July, etc.
seasons:	in (the) winter/spring/autumn, etc.
years:	in 1998/2004, etc.
centuries:	in the 21st century
in the expressions:	in the morning/afternoon/evening in an hour in a minute in a week/few days/month/year

ON	
days:	on Monday, on New Year's Day
dates:	on 3rd June
specific part of a certain day:	on Friday morning
adjective + day:	on a cold day

NOTE:

- 1) We use the prepositions **from** and **to** to show duration.
e.g. She works **from 9 to/till/until** 5 every day.
- 2) We use the preposition **in** when we want to say how long it takes to do something.
e.g. He finished the test **in half an hour**.
Our new flat will be ready **in a month**.
- 3) Prepositions of time are not used:
 - a) with the words **tomorrow** and **the day after tomorrow**.
e.g. I'll see you **tomorrow morning**.
 - b) with the words **every** and **each**.
e.g. He has a music lesson **every Tuesday**.

Fill in the gaps with *in, on or at* and one of the phrases from the list.

the weekend, the morning, 1066, Easter, Tuesdays, prehistoric times, ten minutes, my birthday, the moment, lunchtime, eight o'clock, the 60's

- 1 My favourite programme starts ...
every Wednesday night.
- 2 I'm having a party I'll
be twenty-five years old.
- 3 I'm going to bed. I have to get up early
- 4, we eat chocolate eggs
to symbolise new life.
- 5 William of Normandy conquered Britain
....., at the Battle of Hastings.
- 6 Tim and I are going away
We'll be spending Saturday and Sunday in the
mountains.
- 7 I have to work late
because that's the day we order new stock.
- 8, the hippies went to
peace rallies and wore flowers in their hair.
- 9 I'll meet you Come to
my office at twelve o'clock.
- 10 The bus leaves and
you're still not ready!
- 11, people lived in caves
and hunted wild animals for food.
- 12 I'm rather busy, but
I'll call you later this evening.

**Fill in the gaps with the correct
preposition where necessary.**

- 1 A: It took me half an hour to walk home.
B: What? You shouldn't be walking home alone
... .. night!
- 2 A: How did you meet Sandra?
B: We met at a party New Year's Eve.
- 3 A: Where is Paul? We're supposed to be going out.
B: He'll be here a minute. He's just gone
to the shops.
- 4 A: When shall I visit you next?
B: Oh, any Tuesday will be fine.
- 5 A: When is Terry's birthday?
B: I'm not sure. I think it's September.
- 6 A: I don't want to have my tooth taken out.
B: Don't get upset. It will be over a second.
- 7 A: You'll have to let me know how the meeting
goes.
B: Yes. I'll call you tomorrow evening.
- 8 A: Are the banks open on Saturdays?
B: Yes. They're open nine twelve.