

In/on/at (other uses)

A

In

in the rain / in the sun / in the shade / in the dark / in bad weather etc.

- ☐ We sat **in the shade**. It was too hot to sit **in the sun**.
- ☐ Don't go out **in the rain**. Wait until it stops.

(write) in ink / in pen / in pencil

- ☐ When you do the exam, you're not allowed to write **in pencil**.

Also (write) in words / in figures / in capital letters etc.

- ☐ Please write your name **in capital letters**.
- ☐ Write the story **in your own words**. (= don't copy somebody else)

(be/fall) in love (with somebody)

- ☐ They're very happy together. They're **in love**.

in (my) opinion

- ☐ **In my opinion**, the movie wasn't very good.



the shade

B

On

on TV / on television / on the radio

- ☐ I didn't watch the news **on television**, but I heard it **on the radio**.

on the phone

- ☐ I've never met her, but I've spoken to her **on the phone** a few times.

(be/go) on strike

- ☐ There are no trains today. The drivers are **on strike**.

(be/go) on a diet

- ☐ I've put on a lot of weight. I'll have to go **on a diet**.

(be) on fire

- ☐ Look! That car is **on fire**.

on the whole (= in general)

- ☐ Sometimes I have problems at work, but **on the whole** I enjoy my job.

on purpose (= intentionally)

- ☐ I'm sorry. I didn't mean to annoy you. I didn't do it **on purpose**.

C

On holiday / on a trip etc.We say: **(be/go) on holiday / on business / on a trip / on a tour / on a cruise** etc.

- ☐ I'm going **on holiday** next week.
- ☐ Emma's away **on business** at the moment.
- ☐ One day I'd like to go **on a world tour**.

You can also say 'go to a place **for a holiday / for my holiday(s)**':

- ☐ Steve has gone to France **for a holiday**.

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At the age of ... etc.We say **at the age of 16 / at 120 miles an hour / at 100 degrees** etc. :

- ☐ Tracy left school **at 16**. or ... **at the age of 16**.
- ☐ The train was travelling **at 120 miles an hour**.
- ☐ Water boils **at 100 degrees Celsius**.

We are now flying **at a speed of 800 kilometres an hour** and **at an altitude of 9,000 metres**.

