

7 **In** is typically used to express:

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| place | <b>Vivo <i>in</i> campagna.</b>                                | I live in the country.                 |
|       | <b>Abbiamo una casa <i>in</i> Francia.</b>                     | We have a house in France.             |
| time  | <b><i>nel</i> 2006</b>   | in 2006                                |
|       | <b><i>nel</i> ventesimo secolo</b>                             | in the twentieth century               |
| means | <b>Andiamo <i>in</i> treno/<i>in</i> auto/<i>in</i> bici.*</b> | We're going by train/car/on our bikes. |

\* NB: **in piedi** means 'standing'; 'on foot' is **a piedi**.

8 **Con** is typically used to express:

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| company | <b>Vado al cinema <i>con</i> Luca.</b>           | I'm going to the cinema with Luca.  |
|         | <b>Parlo <i>con</i> Anna.</b>                    | I'm talking to/with Anna.           |
| means   | <b>Devo scrivere <i>con</i> una penna rossa.</b> | I've got to write with a red pen.   |
|         | <b>Pago <i>con</i> un assegno.</b>               | I'm paying with a cheque/by cheque. |
| manner  | <b>Parla <i>con</i> accento straniero.</b>       | He speaks with a foreign accent.    |
|         | <b>Parla <i>con</i> lentezza.</b>                | He speaks slowly.                   |
| quality | <b>una signora <i>con</i> i capelli grigi</b>    | a lady with grey hair               |

9 **Su** is typically used to express:

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| place   | <b>I tuoi libri sono <i>sulla</i> scrivania.</b> | Your books are on the desk.           |
|         | <b>il ponte <i>sullo</i> stretto di Messina</b>  | the bridge over the Strait of Messina |
| subject | <b>un libro <i>sul</i> calcio</b>                | a book on/about football              |

When the preposition **su** is used with a personal pronoun, the pronoun is also preceded by **di**: **Conto *su di* lui** (I'm counting on him).

10 **Per** is typically used to express:

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| place | <b>Partiamo <i>per</i> la montagna.</b>         | We are leaving for the mountains.         |
| time  | <b>Esco <i>per</i> 10 minuti.</b>               | I'm going out for 10 minutes.             |
|       | <b><i>Per</i> le 11 sono a casa.</b>            | I'll be home by/for 11.                   |
| means | <b>Mando il file <i>per</i> email.</b>          | I'll send the file by email.              |
| cause | <b>una multa <i>per</i> eccesso di velocità</b> | a fine for speeding/speeding fine         |
| aim   | <b>Studio <i>per</i> passare l'esame.</b>       | I'm studying (in order) to pass the exam. |
| price | <b><i>per</i> 15 euro</b>                       | for 15 euros                              |