Preposition and its Types

Preposition shows the relation of a noun or pronoun with other.

Example:

The book is **in** the bag.



Some commonly used prepositions are:



| About | above | across | after |
|---------|------------|---------|---------|
| against | along | amid | amount |
| around | at | before | behind |
| below | beneath | besides | between |
| beyond | but/expect | by | down |
| for | from | in | into |
| of | off | on/upon | out of |
| over | since | then | though |
| to | towards | under | up |
| with | within | without | |

Types of Preposition



- 1. Preposition of Time
- 2. Preposition of Movement and Direction
- 3. Preposition of Location or Position or Place
- 4. Compound Preposition

1.Preposition of Time

Prepositions that are used to show time are called preposition of time.

At, in, on are called preposition of time.

We use:

"at" before a precise time



"in" before months, tears, centuries and long periods

"on" before days and dates

Examples:



| Precise Time | Months, Years, Centuries and Long Periods | Days and Dates |
|---------------|---|---------------------|
| at | in | on |
| at 3 o'clock | in may | on Sunday |
| at 10:30 a.m. | in summer | on Tuesdays |
| at noon | in winter | on 6 march |
| at dinnertime | in 1990 | on 25 Dec. 2010 |
| at bedtime | in the 1990s | on Christmas day |
| at sunrise | in the next century | on independence day |
| at sunset | in the ice of age | on my birthday |
| at the moment | in the past/in future | on new year's eve |

Examples:

- I have a meeting at 9 a.m.
- The shop closes at midnight.
- Abdullah went home at lunchtime.
- In England, it often snows in December.
- Do you think we will go to Jupiter in future?
- There must be a lot of progress in the next century.
- O Do you work on Mondays?
- Her birthday is on 20 November.
- O Where will you ne on New Year's Day?



2. Preposition of Movement and Direction

Prepositions of movement shows movement in a sentence.

Some commonly used prepositions are:

Away from, up, down, off, out of, to, onto, into, towards, across, along, round, out of, through.

Examples:



She returned to her office.

Lyon fell onto the floor.

He jumped into the pool.

He is running away from dogs.

3. Preposition of Location or Position or Place

Preposition of positions shows locus. "at, in, on" are called preposition of position.

Some common prepositions of position are:

At the back of, at the bottom of, at the top of, behind, between, in the corner of, in the middle of, next to, to the left of, on the other side of, to the right of, on the side of, on the top of, opposite.



3. Preposition of Location or Position or Place

Examples:

- We met at the bus station.
- The cat was sitting on the floor.
- They live in New York.



Compound Preposition

A preposition consisting of more than one word are called compound preposition.

Some compound prepositions are:

According to, ahead of, apart from, aside from, as of, because of, by means of, in addition to in the back of, in the front of, in the place of, in regard to, in spite of, instead of, in view of, next to, on account of, out of, owing to, prior to.