

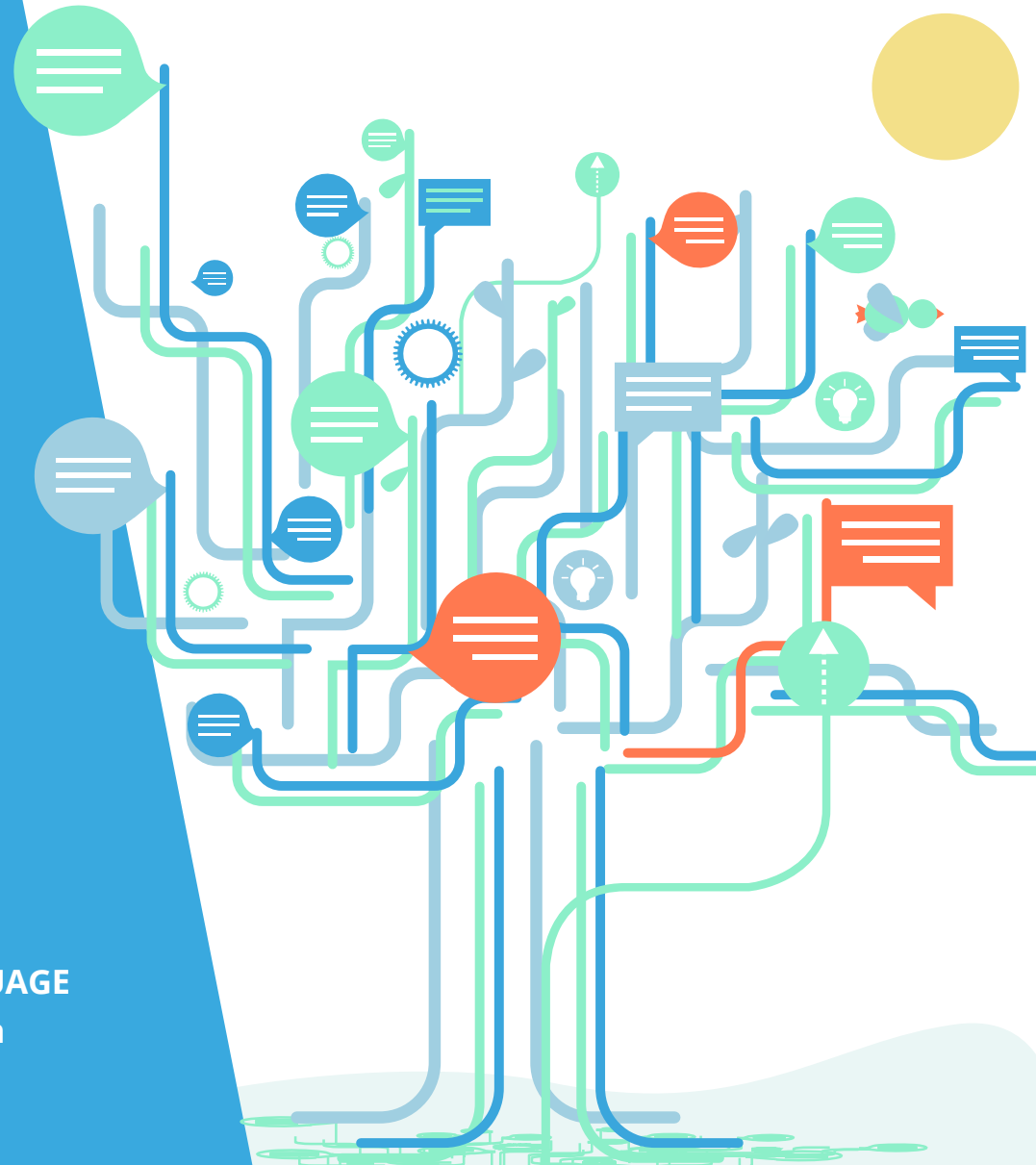
When do you work?

GRAMMAR

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Goals

- Review ways to express time
- Practise saying when things happen



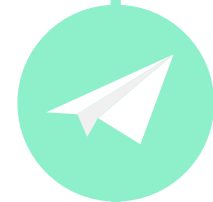


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We have dinner reservations **on** Saturday **at** seven o'clock. We went to the same restaurant **last** week and it was really good. I'm glad we're going again **in** three days. We're going to the theatre **after** dinner.





In, at, and on

- We use a particular preposition of time for different types of time.
 - **in** – we use **in** with months of the year, parts of the day, and seasons
 - **on** – we use **on** with days of the week and calendar dates
 - **at** – we use **at** with times on the clock

in	on	at
in January	on Monday	at two o'clock
in the morning	on January tenth	at half past three
in the spring	on the first day of the month	at noon



More about *in*

- We also use **in** to say that some time will pass.
- We can use **in** with any amount of time in this way: seconds, minutes, hours, days, weeks, months, years, decades, etc.

in a few seconds	when a few seconds have passed
in thirty minutes	when thirty minutes have passed
in four hours	when four hours have passed
in two weeks	when two weeks have passed
in six months	when six months have passed
in five years	when five years have passed



Choose the correct preposition

	IN	ON	AT
1. July	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Saturday	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. five o'clock	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. two weeks	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. ten minutes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



Fill in the blanks

1. Steve's work contract is finished _____ two weeks.
2. He started this job _____ October.
3. He is going to the office to talk to his boss _____ three o'clock.
4. He is meeting Sara's friend Erin at the cinema _____ Saturday.



in

at

on

in



Put these sentences on the correct list

My meeting is _____
thirty minutes.

I moved into this house
_____ August.

We eat lunch together
_____ Saturdays.

I start work _____
eight o'clock.

I often go skiing _____
winter.

I don't work _____
Sunday.

I have to wake up _____
ten minutes.

I have reservations _____ four
hours.

My meeting is _____ half
past two.

Mr Jones is available _____ five
minutes.

I am always asleep _____
midnight.

I have reservations _____
February fourth.

in

on

at



Find the mistakes

There are 7 mistakes with *on*, *in* and *at*. Can you find them?

I love living on Australia because there are so many celebrations! The best one is Australia Day which is in the January 26th – that is at summer in Australia! There are always fireworks in night. We also have Easter holidays – they are usually on March or April. A serious holiday is Anzac Day. It is at the April 25th and it celebrates people who died in the wars. A really fun day is Picnic Day. It is at the August 1st and lots of families eat picnics and play games outside.





Tell your teacher

When...



is Christmas?

do Jewish
people have
Sabbath?

is your
birthday?

do you
normally wake
up?

do people go
on holiday in
your country?

is Halloween?

do people
normally finish
work in your
country?

is it hot in your
country?

is it cold in your
country?



Other prepositions of time

We can also use prepositions of time to say how different events or times relate to each other.

preposition	example
before	Breakfast is before lunch.
during	I watched TV during lunch.
between	Lunch is between breakfast and dinner.
after	Dinner is after lunch.
from ... until	I eat breakfast from seven o'clock until half past seven.



Earlier and later

- We can use **last** and **next** to say that it was earlier or later.
- We can use **last** and **next** with weeks, months, seasons and years, but not with days.
- We have special words to order days.

earlier	now	later
yesterday	today	tomorrow
last week	this week	next week
last month	this month	next month
last spring	this spring	next spring
last year	this year	next year



Choose the correct time

	EARLIER	NOW	LATER
1. this month	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. last week	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. today	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. next year	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. yesterday	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



Match the parts of the sentences

1. I eat breakfast...

a. after lunch every day.

2. I eat lunch...

b. between phone calls.

3. I have a meeting...

c. during the day while I'm at work.

4. I check my e-mails...

d. before I go to work in the morning.

5. I am writing a report today from noon...

e. until three o'clock.



Fill in the blanks

Steven's phone rings. It's Tom.

"Hi, Steve! When is your meeting with your boss _____?" asks Tom.

"My meeting is _____ three o'clock," answers Steve.

Good luck! What are you doing _____ the meeting?" asks Tom.

"I don't have any plans. Do you want to go get dinner at the pub?" says Steve.

"That is a good idea!" answers Tom. "Are you still meeting Erin _____ week?"

"No, we're going to the cinema _____ Saturday."

"Oh, so you're meeting her this week, _____ three days! Have fun!"



after

today

on

in

next

at



What is different for you? Think about the past, present and future

Last year I was a student. This year I am still a student, but I am studying a different course. Next year, I will have a job.

year

month

week

day

decade



Talk about your schedule

Try to answer the questions in many different ways.

For example, "When are you going on holiday?"

"I'm going on holiday next week."

"I'm going on holiday in two months."

"I'm going on holiday on Saturday."

"I'm going on holiday in the summer."

"I'm going on holiday after I get a raise."

"I'm going on holiday from now until June."



When do you start work every day?

When do you have dinner reservations?

When do you have meetings?

When did you start your job?

When are you going on holiday?

When was your last holiday?

When do you check your e-mail?

When are you going home today?

When do you eat lunch?



Play a guessing game!

I do this at seven o'clock. I do this after I go to sleep. I do this before I go to work.

Describe something you do but only say when you do it. Have your teacher or classmates guess what you're talking about. Keep going, taking turns with lots of different activities.

Are you talking about waking up?
Yes, I am!



Reflect on the goals

Go back to the second slide of the lesson and check if you have achieved all the goals of the lesson.

yes

no

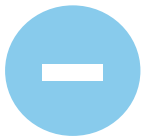
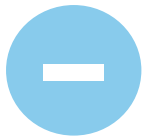




Reflect on this lesson

Think about everything you have seen in this lesson.
What were the most difficult activities or words? The easiest?



If you have time, go over
the most difficult slides again





Answer key

Exercise p. 6: 1. in 2. on 3. at 4. in 5. in

Exercise p. 7: 1. in 2. in 3. at 4. on

Exercise p. 8: in: My meeting is in thirty minutes. I moved into this house in August. I often go skiing in winter. I have to wake up in ten minutes. I have reservation in four hours. Mr Jones is available in five minutes.

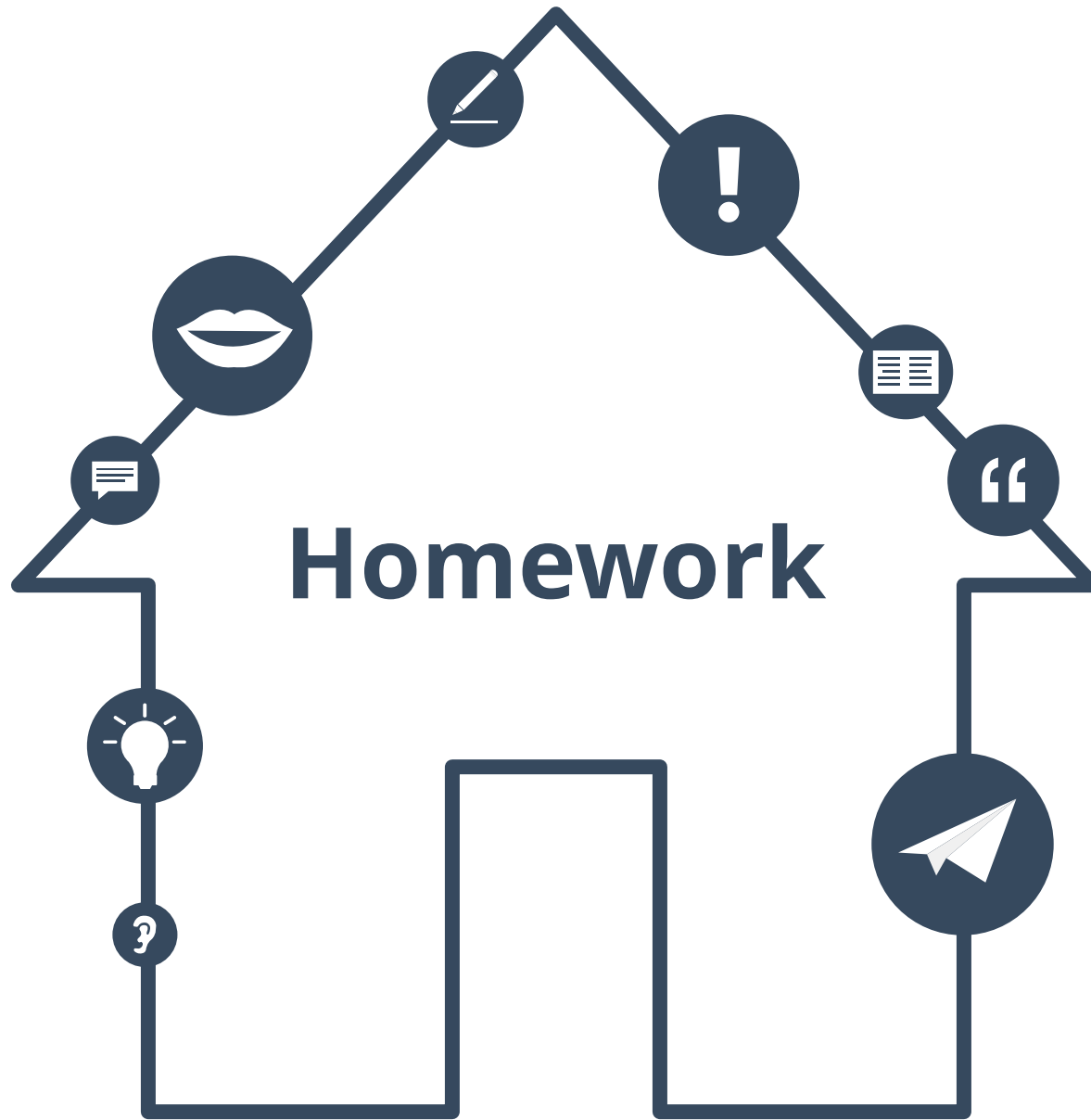
on: We eat lunch on Saturdays. I don't work on Sunday. I have reservations on February fourth.

at: I start work at eight o'clock. My meeting is at half past two. I am always asleep at midnight.

Exercise p. 11: 1. now 2. earlier 3. now 4. later 5. earlier

Exercise p. 12: 1. d 2. b or c 3. a or b or c 4. a or b or c 5. e

Exercise p. 13: today, at, after, next, on, in





Complete the tables

_____	now	later
yesterday	today	_____
last week	_____ week	next week
before	during	_____

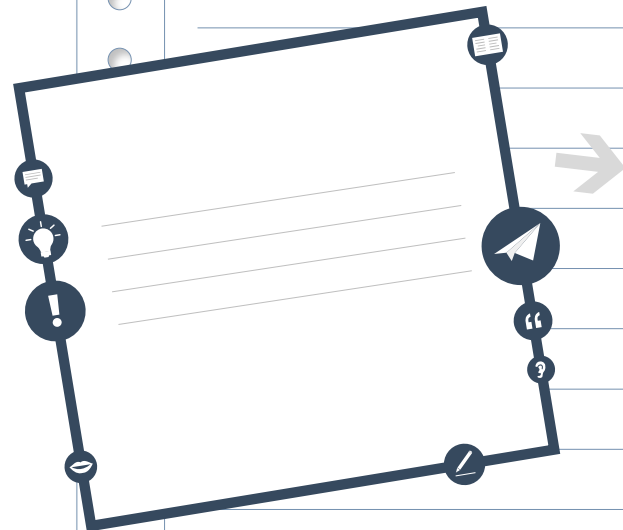
_____ September	_____ September 12	_____ noon
_____ two weeks	_____ Friday	_____ quarter past two
_____ autumn	_____ the last day of the month	_____ ten to five





Text at the beginning

**Go back to the text on page 3
and find examples of
the grammar topic of this lesson in it.
Write them down.**



Copy parts of the text
that are examples of
topic of the lesson.



Find the prepositions

**Find the prepositions in this lesson and write them down.
Which are new? Do you know all of them?
Look these words up.**

Prepositions



Easy or difficult?

Is the grammar topic of this lesson...
easy or difficult?

Write down what is difficult for you and what is easy.

A vertical sheet of white paper with a spiral binding on the left side and horizontal lines for writing.



Homework answer key

Exercise p. 20: earlier, tomorrow, this, after
in: September, two weeks, autumn
on: September 12, Friday, the last day of the month
at: noon, quarter past two, ten to five



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