



Prepositions of Place:

At, In, On: Core Prepositions of Place

Fill in the blank with the correct option.

- The children are playing ____ the garden.
a) at
b) on
c) by
d) in
- There is a beautiful painting ____ the wall.
a) on
b) in
c) at
d) to
- I'll meet you ____ the bus stop.
a) on
b) in
c) to
d) at
- She lives ____ a small village.
a) at
b) in
c) on
d) by
- The book is ____ the table.
a) in
b) on
c) at
d) by
- We arrived ____ the airport early.
a) in
b) on
c) at
d) to
- There are many fish ____ the river.
a) in
b) on
c) at
d) over
- The cat is sitting ____ the roof.
a) in
b) at
c) above
d) on
- He is waiting ____ the door.
a) on
b) at
c) in
d) to
- My keys are ____ my bag.
a) on
b) in
c) at
d) to
- She put the plates ____ the shelf.
a) at
b) in
c) on
d) into

12. We had dinner ____ a restaurant last night.
a) at
b) on
c) from
d) to
13. The milk is ____ the fridge.
a) at
b) on
c) in
d) over
14. Look at the birds ____ the tree!
a) in
b) on
c) at
d) by
15. The notice is ____ the board.
a) in
b) at
c) on
d) to
16. There were many people ____ the concert.
a) on
b) in
c) to
d) at
17. He grew up ____ Brazil.
a) at
b) on
c) to
d) in
18. The spider is ____ the ceiling.
a) on
b) in
c) at
d) above
19. I left my umbrella ____ the office.
a) on
b) at
c) to
d) beside
20. The toys are ____ the box.
a) on
b) at
c) in
d) by



Answers

1. d) in
2. a) on
3. d) at
4. b) in
5. b) on
6. c) at
7. a) in
8. d) on
9. b) at
10. b) in
11. c) on
12. a) at
13. c) in
14. a) in
15. c) on
16. d) at
17. d) in
18. a) on
19. b) at
20. c) in



Explanations

1. “in” (d)

Use 'in' for enclosed or defined areas like gardens, parks, and rooms: in the garden, in the park.

2. “on” (a)

Use 'on' when something is attached to or touching a surface: on the wall, on the ceiling, on the door.

3. “at” (d)

Use 'at' for specific points or locations where you meet or wait: at the bus stop, at the station, at the entrance.

4. “in” (b)

Use 'in' for towns, villages, cities and countries: in a village, in Paris, in Japan.

5. “on” (b)

Use 'on' when something is resting on a surface: on the table, on the desk, on the shelf.

6. “at” (c)

Use 'at' for buildings and places when you think of them as a specific point or destination: at the airport, at the hotel, at the office.

7. “in” (a)

Use 'in' for bodies of water when something is inside or surrounded by the water: in the river, in the sea, in the pool.

8. “on” (d)

Use 'on' for surfaces, including the top of buildings: on the roof, on the floor, on the ground.

9. “at” (b)

Use 'at' for specific points such as entrances or exits: at the door, at the gate, at the window.

10. “in” (b)

Use 'in' when something is inside a container or enclosed space: in my bag, in the box, in the drawer.

11. “on” (c)

Use 'on' when something is placed on a horizontal surface: on the shelf, on the table, on the counter.

12. “at” (a)

Use 'at' for places where an activity happens, especially restaurants, cafés, and similar venues: at a restaurant, at a café.

13. “in” (c)

Use 'in' for enclosed containers and appliances: in the fridge, in the cupboard, in the oven.

14. “in” (a)

Use 'in' when birds or animals are among the branches of a tree. Use 'on' only for something resting on the surface of a branch.

15. “on” (c)

Use 'on' when something is displayed on a flat surface: on the board, on the screen, on the page.

16. “at” (d)

Use 'at' for events and gatherings: at the concert, at the party, at the meeting.

17. “in” (d)

Use 'in' for countries and large geographical areas: in Brazil, in Europe, in Africa.

18. “on” (a)

Use 'on' when something is attached to or touching a surface, even a ceiling: on the ceiling, on the wall.

19. “at” (b)

Use 'at' for workplaces and institutions when referring to the general location: at the office, at school, at work.

20. “in” (c)

Use 'in' when something is inside a container: in the box, in the basket, in the wardrobe.