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## **Grammar - Prepositions of Place**

Prepositions of place are used to show where something is located and they are always found after the principal verb, regardless of the verb tense. These prepositions are most often used with the verb "to be".

#### Next to (beside)

Meaning: adjacent or by the side of.

**Use:** "Next to" and "beside" can be used interchangeably as the meaning is the same. The use of one over the other depends on the speaker and the context.

#### Examples:

The supermarket is <u>next to</u> the bank or The supermarket is <u>beside</u> the bank

Sit <u>next to</u> me or Sit <u>beside</u> me.

#### By

Meaning: in proximity to, near.

**Use:** "by" may be used in the same contexts as "Next to" or "beside", but the meaning is closer to "near" rather than directly adjacent.

## Examples:

I sit by the window.

Our house is by the river.

## BETWEEN

**Meaning:** in the time or space that separates.

## Examples:

The shop is <u>between</u> the bank and the train station.

She is standing between Peter and John.

#### **BEHIND**

Meaning: in back of, to the rear of.

#### **Examples:**

The church is behind the school.

He is standing <u>behind</u> you.

#### **IN FRONT OF**

Meaning: the opposite of behind.

## Examples:

The hotel is <u>in front of</u> the station.

Laura is standing <u>in front of</u> you.

#### UNDER

Meaning: below or beneath, implying the object is covered by something.

## Examples:

The ball is <u>under</u> the chair.

The dog is <u>under</u> the tree.

## IN

**Use (place):** "In" is used to indicate both open and closed spaces. We use this preposition to indicate that something is included within the limits of something, a closed space or the interior of something in a physical sense. As we can see from the following examples "in" can also be used to indicate the geographical location of something.

## Examples:

The cat is <u>in</u> the box.

I found your address in the phone book.

Use (time): is used with months, years, periods of time, seasons and parts of the day.

## Examples:

I always run in the mornings.

I will see him <u>in</u> a week.

She was born <u>in</u> 1976.

## AT

**Use (place):** "At" is used in front of buildings such as "home", "the airport", "university". It is also used before "to", "bottom", and "the end of" as well as to indicate events such as meetings, parties, concerts, sports events, etc. "At" is also used after the verb "arrive" when we are referring to places other than cities or countries.

## Examples:

He is <u>at</u>home.

I always visit my sister <u>at</u> work

She will see him <u>at the theatre</u>

Use (time): We used "At" before the hour or holidays.

## Examples:

He runs every morning at 6.

I will see them <u>at</u> Christmas.

## ON

**Use (place):** "On" is used with surfaces, when we are referencing a location within a room, such as the ceiling or the wall, or to indicate that someone is inside a mode of transport or on the floor of a building.

## Examples:

The pen is <u>on</u> the table.

They have a photograph of Paris on the wall

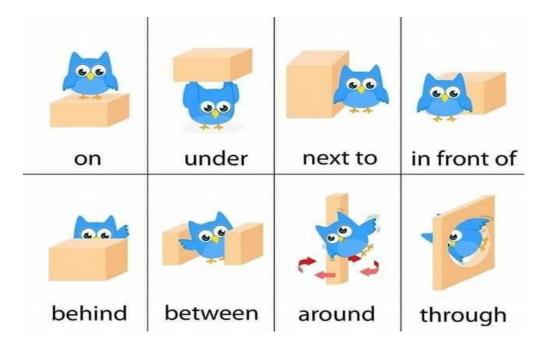
I am <u>on</u> the bus.

Use (time): "ON" is used with days of the week, dates and holidays.

## Examples:

They went to Mexico <u>on</u> the first of May.

He runs <u>on</u> Mondays and Fridays.



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https://www.curso-ingles.com/aprender/cursos/nivel-basico/prepositions/prepositions

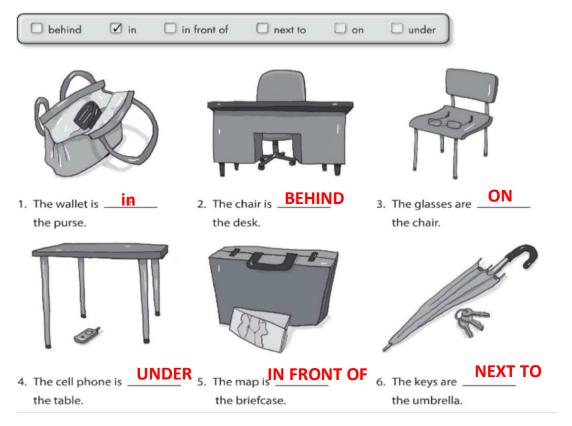
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**Exercise 1**. Complete these sentences – Completa las siguientes oraciones, revisa el ejemplo.

- 1. The books are in the book bag
- 2. The cell phone is NEXT TO THE BRUSH
- 3. The map is UNDER THE NEWSPAPER
- 4. The chair is UNDER THE TABLE
- 5. The wallet is ON THE NOTEBOOK
- 6. The sunglasses are IN FRONT OF THE BAG

**Exercise 2**. Complete these sentences – Completa las siguientes oraciones, revisa el ejemplo.



**Exercise 3**. Write questions and answers about the things in the parentheses – escribe preguntas y sus respuestas acerca de las cosas en parentesis.



- 1. A: <u>Where is the briefcase?</u> (briefcase)
  - B: It's next to the television.
- 2. A: WHERE ARE THE BOOKS? (books)
  - B: THEY ARE UNDER THE TABLE
- 3. A: WHERE IS THE CELL PHONE B: IT IS IN THE PURSE
- 4. A: WHERE ARE THE KEYS? (keys)
  B: THEY ARE ON THE BRIEFCASE
  5. A: WHERE IS THE CAMERA? (camera)
  B: IT IS IN FRONT OF THE TV
- 6. A: (sunglasses)
  - B: THEY ARE BEHIND THE SOFA

## GRAMMAR - Negative statements and yes/no questions with be

I'm not from New York. You're not late.	Are you from California? Am I early?		I am.		l'm	not.
She's not from Russia.	Is she from Brazil?		you are. she is.		you're she's	not.
He's not from Italy.		Vos		No	he's	not
It's not English.	Is it Korean?	163,	it is.	140,	it's	not
We're not from Japan.	Are you from China?		we are.		we're	not
You're not early.	Are we late?		you are.		you're	not
They're not in Mexico.	Are they in Canada?		they are.		they're	not.

Exercise 4. Complete the convertation - completa la siguiente conversación.

- A: Hiroshi, \_\_\_\_\_are\_\_\_\_ you and Maiko from Japan?
   B: Yes, we \_\_\_\_are\_\_\_\_.
  - A: Oh? ..... ARE ....... you from Tokyo?
  - B: No, .....IM not. ....IAM from Kyoto.
- 2. A: ....IS Laura from the U.S.?
  - B: No, .....SHE IS ... not. She's from the U.K.
  - A: ..... IS ..... she from London?
  - B: Yes, she ......SHE IS......But her parents are from Italy. ....THEY ARE not from the U.K. originally.
  - A: .....IS Laura's first language Italian?
  - B: No, .....IT.IS..... not. ....IT.IS.... English.
- A: .....ARE...... Selina and Carlos from Mexico?
   B: No, ...THEY.ARE not. ...THEY.ARE from Brazil.
  - A: ..... ARE you from Brazil, too?

  - A: So, ......IS...... your first language Spanish?
  - B: Yes, it ..... IS





# Negative statements and yes/no questions with be

- Use be + not to form negative statements: Ana isn't a student. (NOT: Ana is no a student.)
- *You* is a singular and a plural pronoun: Are **you** from Rio? Yes, **I** am./Yes, **we** are.

**Exercise 5**. Ordena las siguientes oraciones.

 in California / not / New York City / is <u>New York City is not in California.</u>
 London / not / from / we're <u>WE'RE NOT FROM LONDON</u>
 not / you and Tim / in my class / are <u>YOU AND TIM ARE NOR IN MY CLASS</u>
 is / my first language / Spanish / not <u>SPANISH IS NOT MY FIRTS LANGUAGE</u>
 from / my mother / not / is / Seoul <u>MY MOTHER IS NOT FROM SEOUL</u>
 my keys / not / are / they <u>THEY ARE NOT MY KEYS</u>

**Exercise 6**. Ordena las siguientes oraciones.

- 1. A: <u>Are</u> you and your family from Mexico?
  - B: No, ..... WE ARE not. WE ARE from Guatemala.
- 2. A: ..... Is your first language English?
  - B: Yes, it ...... IS ...... . My parents ...... ARE ...... from Australia.
- 3. A: \_\_\_\_\_ Kenji and his friend Japanese?
- B: Yes, <u>THEY</u> are. But <u>THEY ARE</u> in the U.S. now.
- 4. A: ..... my mother and I late?
  - B: No, <u>YOU ARE</u> not. <u>YOUR ARE</u> early!