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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 between the bank and the train station.

She is standing <u>between</u> Peter and John.

#### **BEHIND**

**Meaning:** in back of, to the rear of.

#### **Examples:**

The church is behind the school.

He is standing behind you.

#### IN FRONT OF

**Meaning:** the opposite of behind.

#### **Examples:**

The hotel is in front of the station.

Laura is standing in front of 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 in the box.

I found your address <u>in</u> 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 in a week.

She was born in 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</u> the theatre

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 on the table.

They have a photograph of Paris on the wall

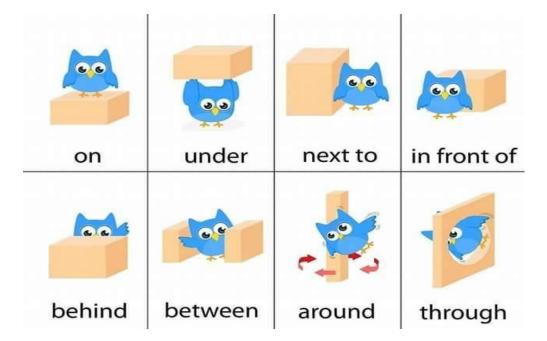
I am <u>on</u> the bus.

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

# **Examples:**

They went to Mexico on the first of May.

He runs on Mondays and Fridays.



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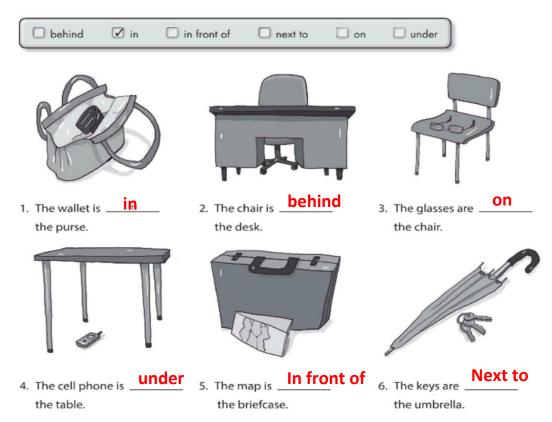
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Exercise 1. Complete these sentences – Completa las siguientes oraciones, revisa el ejemplo.

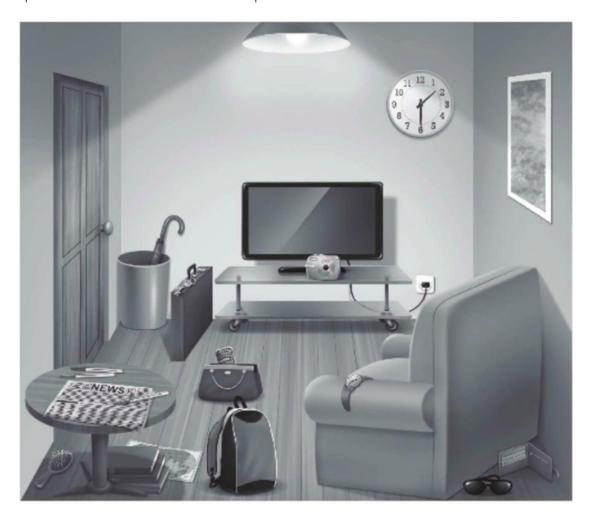


- 1. The books are in the book bag
- 2. The cell phone is <u>next to the brush</u>
- 3. The map is <u>under the news paper</u>
- 4. The chair is <u>under the table</u>
- 5. The wallet is <u>on the notebook</u>
- 6. The sunglasses are <u>in from of the purse</u>

**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.



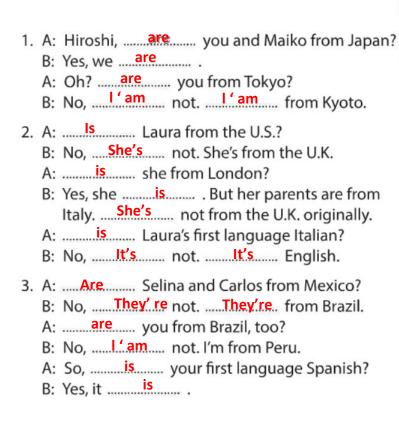
1.	A:	Where is the briefcase? (briefcase)	4. A:	Where are the keys? (keys)	
	B:	It's next to the television.	B:	They are on the briefcase	
2.	A:	Where are the books? (books)	5. A:	Where is the camera? (camera)	
	B:	They're under the table		It's front of the tv	
3.	A:	Where is the cell pone?(cell phone)	6. A:	Where are the sunglasses (sunglasses)	
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# GRAMMAR – Negative statements and yes/no questions with be

#### Negative statements and yes/no questions with be 0 l'm I'm not from New York. Are you from California? not. I am. you're You're not late. Am I early? you are. not. She's not from Russia. Is she from Brazil? she is. she's not. He's not from Italy. Is he from Chile? Yes, he is. No. he's not. It's not English. Is it Korean? it is it's not. We're not from Japan. Are you from China? we're we are. not. you're You're not early. Are we late? you are. not. They're not in Mexico. Are they in Canada? they are. they're not. We're = We are

**Exercise 4**. Complete the convertation – completa la siguiente conversación.







# 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.

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1.	in California / not / New York City / is New York City is not in California.
2.	London / not / from / we're We're not from London
3.	not / you and Tim / in my class / are You and tim are not in class
4.	is / my first language / Spanish / not My first language is not spanish
5.	from / my mother / not / is / Seoul  My mother is not from seoul
6.	my keys / not / are / they They are not my keys

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

1.	A:	Are	you and your family from	Mexico?
	B:	No,We're	not resp	from Guatemala.
2.	A:	Are	your first language Englis	sh?
	B:	Yes, itls		esp from Australia.
3.	A:	are	Kenji and his friend Japan	nese?
	B:	Yes,they	are. Butlive	in the U.S. now.
4.	A:	is	my mother and I late?	
	B:	No, <u>youre</u>	notyoure	early!