

Using AT, ON, IN

We use “at” to talk about a place.



at home



at the store



at school

They are **at** home.
You are **at** school.
She is **at** the store.
He is **at** work.



at work

We also use **AT** to talk about a point in time.

I arrive **at** 10 AM.

My flight lands **at** 3.

We left **at** 9:15.

We walk **at** night. (But not “at day”)

We clapped **at** the end of the play.



We use “in” for something that is inside.



in the box



in the bowl

The cans are **in** the box.
The fish is **in** the bowl.
The worm is **in** the apple.
The men are **in** the pool.



in the apple



in the pool

We also use “**in**” for-**morning, afternoon, evening,**

I leave **in** the morning.

We usually walk **in** the morning, but sometimes we walk **at** night.



We use “**in**” for time that is not specific.

We leave **in** a few days.

I will leave **in** five minutes.

I'll see you **in** a few weeks.

We use “on” for days of the week.

I leave **on** Monday.

I leave **on** Monday **at** 2 PM.

I leave **on** Wednesday morning.

I leave **on** Monday **in** the afternoon.

We use “on” for dates.

I leave on January 29th.

We arrive on May 30th.



We use “on” for something that is on top of:



on the desk

The apple is **on** the desk.



on the ball

The elephant is **on** the ball.

The glasses are **on** the book.

The fruit is **on** the table.



on the book



We get **on** the bus, **on** the plane, but **in** the car.





The cat is _____ the house. The dog is _____ the house.



The cat is _____ the bench.



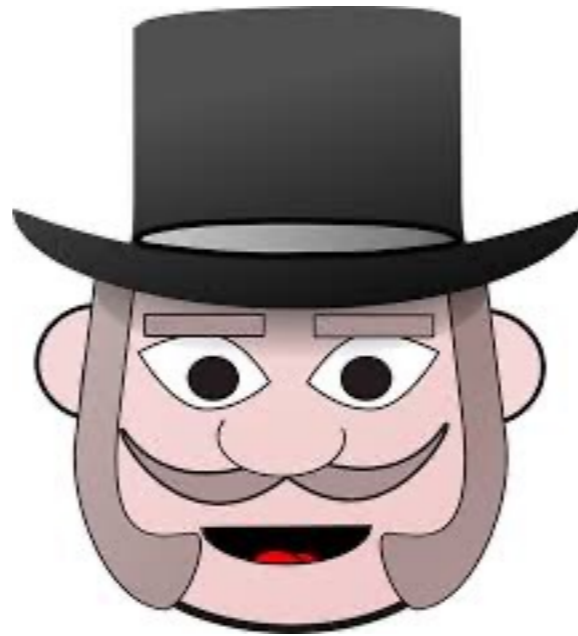
The cat is sleeping _____ the box.



The apples are **on sale**.

Write a sentence.

1. His hat is _____.



2. The dog is...





3. The monkeys are jumping _____



4. The dog rides _____ the surfboard.

What did you do _____ the fourth of July?



I got up _____ 7 this morning.

I watch TV _____ the evening.

I met my husband _____ 1999.

We always go out _____ Friday evenings.

Tom will be here _____ 8.

Read the story below. Fill in the blanks with ON, IN or AT

Labor Day is a holiday that is always _____ Monday. This year Labor Day is _____ September 6th. Labor Day is the last holiday of summer. Americans usually do things outside. Families have picnics at the park. They might go to a lake or to a swimming pool. If it's too hot, families might go to a movie or enjoy a day _____ the mall.

_____ Labor Day, I will go to the lake. I will swim _____ the lake. _____ lunch time, I will cook hamburgers _____ our outdoor grill. _____ the afternoon, I will lie _____ my hammock and read a book. I might look _____ the refrigerator for a cold drink. Our friends might ask us to ride _____ their boat. We will ride around and look at the houses _____ the shore of the lake. It will be a relaxing day.

What will you do on Labor Day?