On a Saturday

EAE Learning objectives for this lesson

Objectives: Learn about prepositions of time and practise listening and reading comprehesion.

Actvity 1: Ask and answer the following questions with your partner

- ☑ What is your favourite month and why?
- ☑ When do you normally go on holiday?
- ☑ Where do you like to travel to?
- ☑ What time do you normally eat dinner?
- ☑ When is the best time of the year to go to the beach?
- ☑ What do you like to do at the weekends?



Activity 2: Listen to the song and fill in the gaps with prepositions /verbs in the past tense

HERMAN DUNE, On A Saturday

On a Saturday, we had a date
For the best day of the _____
I said I would meet you by the gate
And then I _____you on the cheek
We could go for a sunset by the docks
Throw stones to the water and watch them sink
You asked me for a lighter
And I _____ you a matchbox
And I _____you smoke as the sky turned pink

On a Saturday, on a Saturday, you were all that I could care for
On a Saturday, on a Saturday, you were all that I was there for

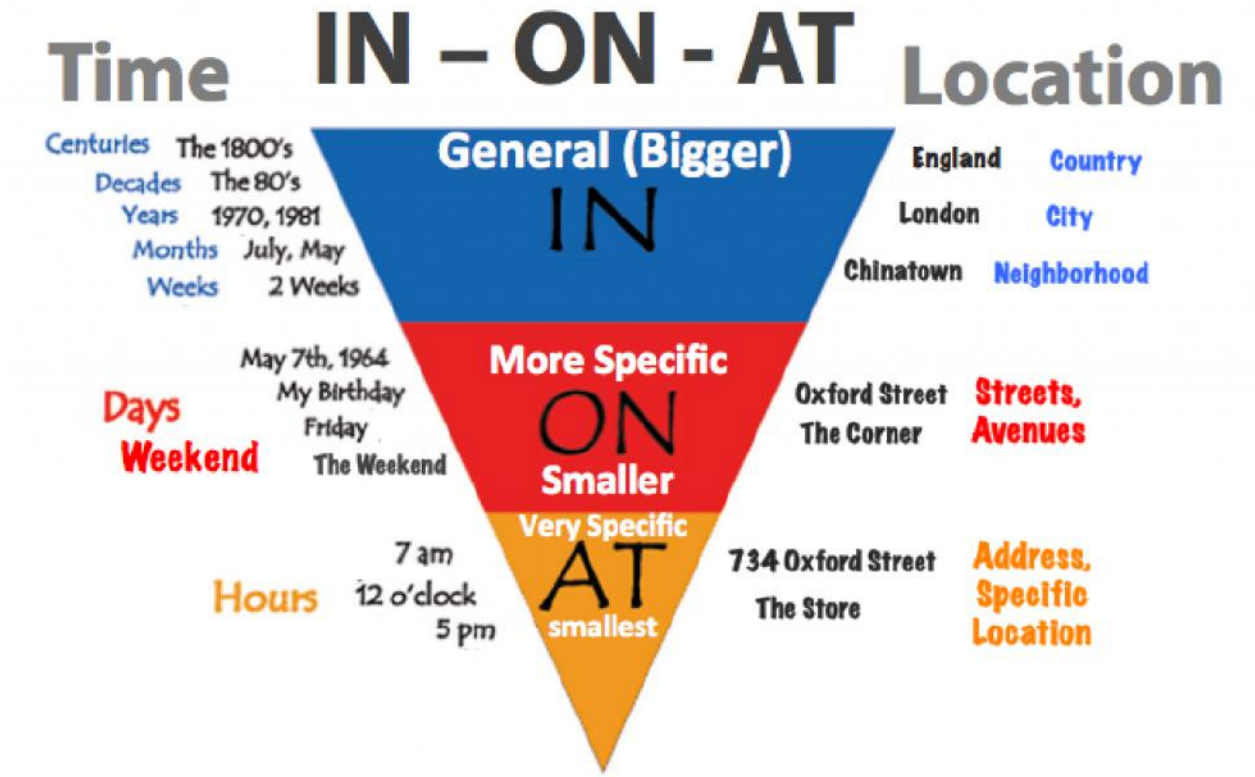
_____ a Saturday there was dust in my eye
And you told me you knew how to remove it
I said tonight is the night _____you and I
And I intend to prove it

If you care for a ride
Then I can show you _____
The city is so pretty _____ the fall
You said drive me uptown
You said drive me _____ town
It doesn't matter to me at all

(Chorus)

Ray Charles on the radio
Listen to the beat
Dancing is automatic
You couldn't seat still
You were jumping _____your seat
And you were looking fantastic
_____ a Saturday nevertheless
You told me you could not stand the rain
I said, baby I will take you _____ Los Angeles
_____ silver plated plane

(Just for fun - listen - The Saturdays).



Activity 3: Let's learn about prepositions of time
AT, ON or IN

AT – for times of the day
AT dinner time
AT three o'clock
AT half past nine
AT sunrise
We also us AT for: AT the weekend or AT night

ON – for days and dates
ON the 6th of March
ON Wednesday
ON Saturday
ON Easter Sunday

IN – for longer periods of time
IN September
IN December
IN 2001
IN the 1980s
IN the winter
IN the holidays

NO preposition – for some time words
NEXT
LAST
TOMORROW
YESTERDAY

Activity 4: With your partner complete the sentences below with the right prepositions (do not prepare this at home)

_____ Monday I went to the beach with a friend
I am going to see Charlie _____two o'clock
This is going to be a big market in Nimes _____ the weekend
I like to eat dinner late _____ night before I go to bed
_____ Saturday we might go to the cinema
There is a good performance showing _____ Thursday
_____ yesterday I went to the restaurant with a friend
I like to eat sushi _____ Sundays
I was born _____ 1980
I am going on holiday _____ the weekend

Activity 5: **With a partners create full sentences to answer the following questions. (Try to use different tenses if you can and <u>do not</u> prepare this at home)**



For example: When do eat dinner? I eat dinner **<u>in</u>** the evenings
Questions:
When did you go to the beach last?
What time does this English lesson start every week?
What month is your birthday?

Activity 6: **TEAM BATTLE**
Split into two groups. One group will give a time and the other group have to select the correct preposition to use with that time and then create a sentence. If the team gets it wrong then the first team gets an extra point.
For example: One team says 'August' and the other team have to shout out 'IN August', 'I go on holiday in August'

Activity 7: **Dialogue. Your teacher will pick two people to read the dialogue below to the class.**
Identify the time prepositions used and then answer the questions

Alex: Hi Sophie, I haven't seen you for a long time, when are you free to meet up?
Sophie: Hi Alex, I know! It would be great to catch up with you. I am free at the weekends
Alex: I normally work at the weekends but I could meet in an evening if you finish early?
Sophie: That sounds good. I usually finish each day at five o'clock
Alex: That's great, I am free on Tuesday 5th April at six o'clock if you are?
Sophie: I'm not free on that date, but I am free the day after on Wednesday
Alex: Perfect, I am free on Wednesday evening at the same time. Where would you like to go?
Sophie: I think that small restaurant on the corner of town is lovely
Alex: I think we have a plan
Sophie: Great, see you on Wednesday 6th April at six o'clock outisde the restaurant
Alex: See you then!

Questions:
What does 'catch up' with someone mean?
Are the prepositions used in the right places? If not, which one is incorrect?
What is their final plan?

Activity 8: **Now with your partner try to create a dialogue between two people**
You are planning to go on holiday with your family or a friend but you can't decide when or where to go

Something a little extra
http://www.classic-rocks.com/english-grammar/prepositions-of-time.html
Listen to the rap at home. It will help you practice and remember your prepositions of time

