**Exercises  🡺 Prepositions**

**Exercise 01:** Put in **for or during.**

1- It rained .......................... three days without stopping.

2- I fell asleep .......................... the movie.

3- I went to the theatre last night. I met Sue .......................... the interval.

4- Martin hasn’t lived in Britain all his life. He lived in Brazil .......................... four years.

5- Production at the factory was seriously affected .......................... the strike.

6- I felt really ill last week. I could hardly eat anything .......................... three days.

7- I waited for you .......................... half an hour and decided that you weren1t coming.

8- Sarah was very angry with me. She didn1t speak to me .......................... a week.

9- We usually go out at weekends I but we don’t go out .......................... the week very often.

10- Jack started a new job a few weeks ago. Before that he was out of work .......................... six months.

11- I need a break. I think I’ll go away .......................... a few days.

12- The president gave a long speech. She spoke .......................... two hours.

13- We were hungry when we arrived. We hadn’t had anything to eat .......................... the journey.

14- We were hungry when we arrived. We hadnlt had anything to eat .......................... eight hours.

**Exercise 02:** Put in **by or until.**

**1**- Steve has gone away. He'll be away .......................... until Monday.

2- Sorry, but I must go. I have to be home .......................... 5 o'clock.

3- I've been offered a job. I haven't decided yet whether to accept it or not. I have to decide ......................... Friday.

4- I think I'll wait .......................... Thursday before making a decision.

5- it's too late to go shopping. The shops are open only .......................... 5.30 today. They'll be

closed .......................... now.

6- I need to pay the phone bill. lt has to be paid .......................... tomorrow.

7- Don't pay the bill today. Wait .......................... tomorrow.

8- **A**: Have you finished redecorating your house?

**B**: Not yet. We hope to finish .......................... the end of the week.

9- **A**: I'm going out now. I'll be back at about 10.30. Will you still be here?

**B**: I don't think so. I'll probably have gone out .......................... then.

10- I'm moving into my new flat next week. I'm staying with a friend .......................... then.

11- I've got a lot of work to do .......................... the time I finish, it will be time to go to bed.

12- If you want to take part in the competition, you have to apply .......................... 3 April.

**Exercise 03:** Put in **at**, **on** or **in**.

1- Mozart was born in Salzburg .......... 1756.

2- I've been invited to a wedding .......... 14 February.

3- Electricity prices are going up .......... October.

4- .......... weekends, we often go for long walks in the country.

S I haven't seen Kate for a few days. I last saw her .......... Tuesday.

6- Jonathan is 63. He'll be retiring from his job .......... two years' time.

7- I'm busy right now, but I'll be with you .......... a moment.

8- My brother is an engineer, but he doesn't have a job .......... the moment.

9- There are usually a lot of parties .......... New Year's Eve.

10- I don't like driving .......... night.

11- My car is being repaired at the garage. It will be ready .......... two hours.

12- My phone and the doorbell rang .......... the same time.

13- Mary and David always go out for dinner .......... their wedding anniversary.

14- It was a short book and easy to read. I read it .......... a day.

15- .......... Saturday night I went to bed .......... midnight.

16- We travelled overnight and arrived .......... 5 o'clock .......... the morning.

17- The course begins .......... 7 January and ends sometime .......... April.

18- I might not be at home .......... Tuesday morning, but I'll be there .......... the afternoon.

**Exercise 04:** Put **in, at** or **in:**

1- I'm going away .......... at the end of the month.

2- It took me a long time to find a job . .......... the end I got a job in a hotel.

3- Are you going away .......... the beginning of August or .......... the end?

4- I couldn't decide what to buy Laura for her birthday. I didn't buy her anything t he end.

5- We waited ages for a taxi. We gave up .......... the end and walked home.

6- I'll be moving to a new address .......... the end of September.

7- We had a few problems at first, but .......... he end everything was OK.

8- I'm going away .......... the end of this week.

9- **A**: I didn't know what to do.

**B**: Yes, you were in a difficult position. What did you do ........... the end?

**Exercise 05:** Complete the sentences with: **in, at** or **on.**

1- There was a long queue of people ........... the bus stop.

2- Nicola was wearing a silver ring ........... her little finger.

3- There was an accident ........... the crossroads this morning.

4- I wasn't sure whether ! had come to the right office. There was no name ........... the door.

5- There are some beautiful trees ........... the park.

6- You'll find the sports results ........... the back page of the newspaper.

7- I wouldn't like an office job. I couldn't spend the whole day sitting ........... a computer.

8- My brother lives........... a small village ........... the south-west of England.

9- The man the police are looking for has a scar ........... his right cheek.

10 -The headquarters of the company are ........... Milan.

11- I like that picture hanging ........... the wall ........................ the kitchen.

12- If you come here by bus, get off ........... the stop after the traffic lights.

**Exercise 06:** Complete the sentences with: **in**, **at** or **on**:

1- Write your name ........... the top of the page.

2- Is your sister ........... this photograph? I don't recognise her.

3- I didn't feel very well when I woke up, so I stayed ........... bed.

4- We normally use the front entrance to the building, but there's another one ........... the back.

5- Is there anything interesting ........... the paper today?

6- There was a list of names, but my name wasn't ........... the list.

7- ... the end of the street, there is a path leading to the river.

8- I love to look up at the stars ........... the sky at night.

9- When I'm a passenger in a car, I prefer to sit ........... the front.

10- I live in a very small village. You probably won't find it ........... your map.

11- Joe works ........... the furniture department of a large store.

12- Paris is ........... the river Seine.

13- I don't like cities. I'd much prefer to live ........... the country.

14- My office is ........... the top floor. It's ........... the left as you come out of the lift.

**Exercise 07:**

Complete these sentences with: **in**, **at** or **on**.

1- We went to a concert ........... the National Concert Hall.

2- It was a very slow train. It stopped ........... every station.

3- My parents live ........... a small village about 50 miles from London.

4- I haven't seen Kate for some time. I last saw her ........... David's wedding.

5- We stayed ........... a very comfortable hotel when we were ........... Amsterdam.

6- There were about fifty rooms ........... the hotel.

7- I don't know where my umbrella is. Perhaps I left it .. ........... the bus.

8- 'Where were you on Monday evening?' 'I was a friend's house.'

9- There must be somebody ........... the house. The lights are on.

10- The exhibition ........... the Museum of Modern Art finishes on Saturday.

11- Shall we travel ........... your car or mine?

12- I didn't expect you to be ........... home. I thought you'd be ........... work.

13- 'Did you like the movie ?'Yes, but It was too hot ........... the cinema.

14- Paul lives ........... Birmingham. He's a student ........... Birmingham University.

**Exercise 08:** Put in **to/at/in/into** where necessary. If no preposition is necessary, leave the space empty(Ø).

1- Three people were taken ........... hospital after the accident.

2- I met Kate on my way........... home.

3- We left our luggage ........... the station and went to find something to eat.

4- Shall we take a taxi ........... the station or shall we walk?

5- I have to go ........... the bank today. What time does it open?

6- The Amazon flows ........... the Atlantic Ocean.

7- 'Do you have your camera with you?' 'No, I left it ........... the car.'

8- Have you ever been........... China?

9- I had lost my key, but I managed to climb ........... the house through a window.

10- We got stuck in a traffic jam on our way ........... the airport.

11- We had lunch ........... the airport while we were waiting for our plane.

12- Welcome ........... the hotel. We hope you enjoy your stay here.

13- We drove along the main road for about a kilometre and then turned ........... a narrow

side street.

14- Did you enjoy your visit ........... the museum?

15- I'm tired. As soon as I get ........... home, I'm going ........... bed.

16- Marcel is French. He has just returned ........... France after two years ........... Brazil.

17 Carl was born ........... Chicago, but his family moved ........... New York when he was three. He still lives ........... New York.