

Prepositions of Place

Language Focus

- We use prepositions of place to tell where people and things are, or where they happen.

At	a particular place	You are sitting at the desk.
	an address with house number	I live at 111 Bee Road.
	fixed expression	at home, at school

In	inside	There is nothing in the drawer.
	name of a street/ road	My company is in Thomson Road.
	armchair	Who put my teddy bear in the armchair?
	fixed expression	Look! The little boy is in danger.

On	surface	There is nothing on the desk.
	floor	On which floor do you live?
	island	The Big Buddha is on Lantau Island.

Under	Your feet are under the desk.
Beside / Next to	You can stand beside / next to the desk.
Near	Is there a restaurant near here?
In front of	Don't sit in front of us. We can't see the blackboard.
Behind	The girl is hiding behind the door.
Between	The boss is standing between you and your desk.

A. Choose the correct answer.

- I lived (at / in / on) Lamma Island when I was young.
- The cat is lying (at / in / on) my bed.
- The ball rolled (at / in / between) his feet.
- Is there anything (at / in / on) the bucket?
- There is a river (in / on / beside) our school.
- There is a nice café (at / in / on) 36, Starry Road.
- Small children learn by playing (at / in / on) school.
- He drove so fast that I felt my life was (at / in / on) danger.
- The tall building (at / in / under) York Street is a government building.
- "Put the thermometer (in / on / under) your tongue," the nurse told the man.

B. Proofread the following sentences. If there is a mistake, underline it and write the correct answer in the space provided. There are 4 correct sentences, put a ✓ on the line.

1. They live in 18 Victoria Road. _____
2. My husband is still at work. Please call again later. _____
3. What's that on the jug? Orange juice? _____
4. Which is the tallest building on Hong Kong Island? _____
5. The ducks are swimming in the bridge. _____
6. A neighbour is someone who lives behind you. _____
7. Little Tim is sitting on Grandpa's armchair. _____
8. Who put my cap on the top shelf? _____
9. Be careful! A bus is coming beside you. _____
10. Please write down your name in a piece of paper. _____
11. I seldom take the lift because I just live in the 2nd floor. _____
12. For the sandwich, you can choose whatever you like in front of the two pieces of bread. _____
13. When people are on danger, the hero will come and save them. _____
14. This restaurant is full of people. Shall we go to the one at High Street? _____
15. I'm sorry. I don't know there's someone in the washroom. _____

C. Use the word(s) provided, write a sentence describing the picture.

e.g



Some pillows- the bed

a mat- the slippers

There are some pillows on the bed.

There is a mat under the slippers.

1.



A lamp-the armchair and the magazine rack

slippers-the armchair

2.



a house – 24, Green Wood Road

some trees – the house

3.



a cook- the kitchen

a pot- the stove

D. Complete the sentences with correct prepositions.

1. She's _____ work now.
2. The princess is _____ danger!
3. The little boy is standing _____ his father and mother.
4. The train is arriving. Please stand _____ the yellow line.
5. Please pass the test paper to the one _____ you.
6. A: Don't stand _____ the chair with your dirty shoes!
B: I want to get the book _____ the shelf.
7. A: I forgot to bring my book.
B: Alright, come and sit _____ me.
8. I don't think he can finish that bowl of rice. There's so much _____ the bowl.
9. Frank: Were you born _____ the hospital?
Ann: No, I was born _____ home.
10. There is a river _____ the bridge. _____ the river there are some ducks.
Many people stand _____ the bridge to feed the ducks.
11. A: Who is the girl _____ the tree?
B: She's my cousin. We were playing hide-and-seek when Ben took this photo.
12. Policeman: Where do you live?
Man: I live _____ Beach Road.
Policeman: Where?
Man: I live _____ 251, Beach Road.
Policeman: _____ which floor?
Man: 11th floor.

