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voorzetsels

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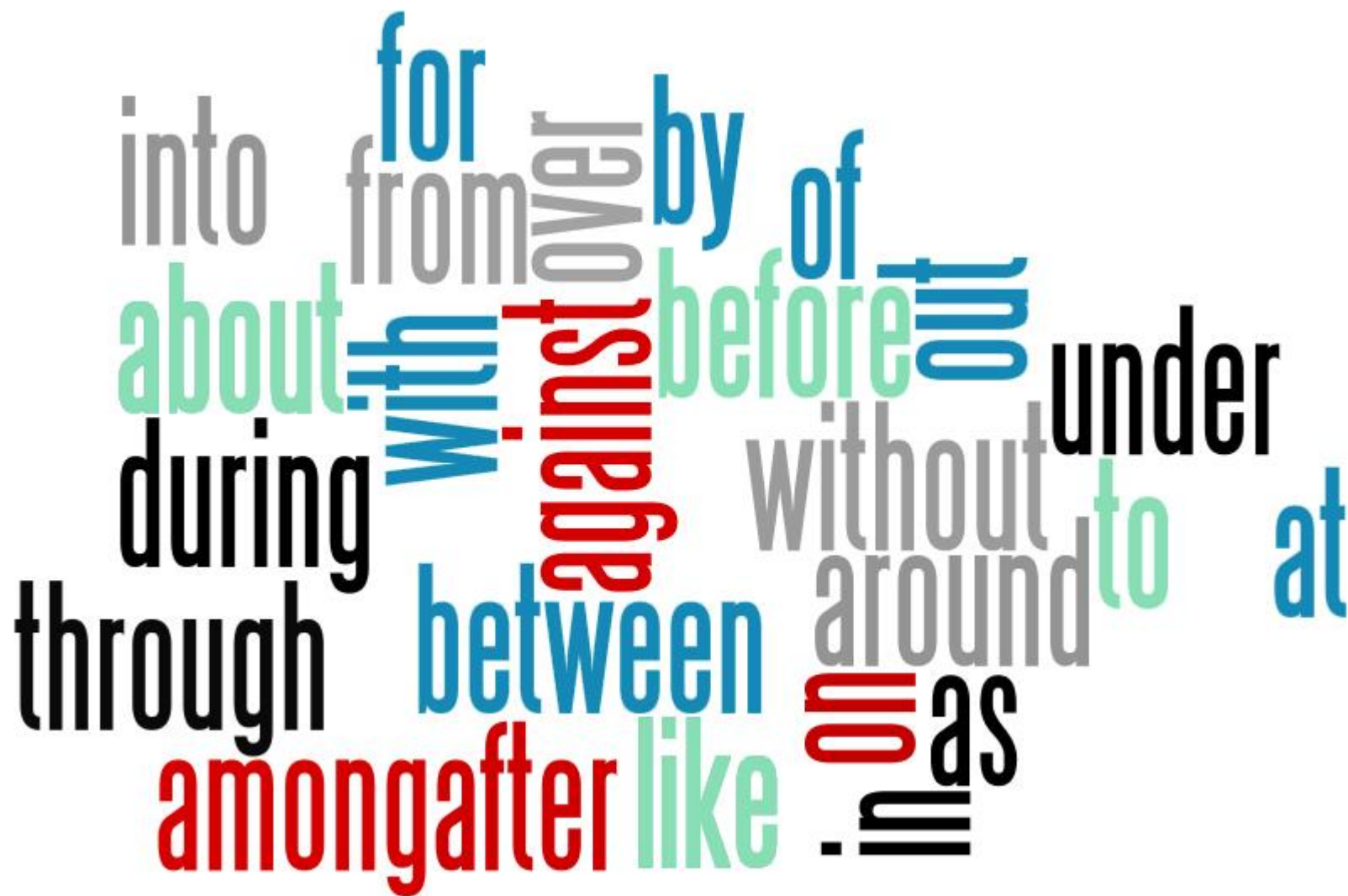
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*Prepositions of place...*



*...and time.*





## Exercise 1: Use the right *prepositions of place*.

of – at – on – below – between – from – in – in front of – over – under – at

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..**in** the shed  
..**on** the roof.  
..**in front of** the door.

..**at** eight o'clock.  
...**on** Tuesday.  
..**in** April.



## Exercise 2: Fill in the right *prepositions of time*.

1. I last saw her \_\_\_\_\_ Tuesday.
2. We'll meet \_\_\_\_\_ lunchtime.
3. I'll be with you \_\_\_\_\_ a moment.
4. My birthday is \_\_\_\_\_ 7 January (January the seventh).
5. There are usually a lot of parties \_\_\_\_\_ New Year's Eve.
6. Come and say goodbye \_\_\_\_\_ you leave.
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- ! Sommige Engelse voorzetsels kunnen meerdere Nederlandse betekenissen hebben.

*My class starts **in** half an hour **in** classroom 216.*

Mijn les begint **over** een half uur **in** lokaal 216.

*I have piano lessons **at** school **at** seven o'clock.*

Ik heb pianoles **op** school **om** zeven uur.

- ! Ook lijken sommige voorzetsel op Nederlandse voorzetsels, maar betekenen ze toch echt iets anders.

*by* (Eng) = *met, door* (NL)

*in* (Eng) = *op, over* (NL)

# 25 most common verbs + prepositions

*according to [advancedesl.wordpress.com](http://advancedesl.wordpress.com)*

ask for	<i>I would like to speak to the manager.</i>
speak of	<i>We are worried about his illness.</i>
speak to	<i>Please don't. I'm paying for you as well.</i>
talk about	<i>Could you help me? I'm looking for a nice sweater.</i>
talk to	<i>Did she ask about me?</i>
believe in	<i>He is listening to Iron Maiden right now.</i>
know about	<i>We turned to our teacher for advise.</i>
look into	<i>He knew a lot about the first and second World War.</i>
think about/of	<i>Don't you think he looks like Bill Clinton?</i>
worry about	<i>Get over it!</i>
look like	<i>She was staring at you the entire time. Ask her out.</i>
listen to	<i>There are the documents? I will look into it.</i>

### **Exercise 3:** Use the right *prepositions of place or place*.

1. I like travelling \_\_\_ plane.
2. Luckily, she arrived \_\_\_ time.
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4. I'll be home \_\_\_ five o'clock. Could you help me \_\_\_ my homework then?
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8. The books are \_\_\_ the shelf.
9. Don't worry too much \_\_\_ it. We'll find a solution for your problem.
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