

Preposition (पूर्वसर्ग)

SSC CGL English Grammar / Time, Place, Appropriate Prepositions

1. Preposition kya hai?

Preposition noun/pronoun se pehle aakar uska anya shabdon se sambandh batata hai (in, on, at, by, with...). Iske baad objective case (me, him, her) aur noun ya V-ing aata hai.

2. Time: AT / ON / IN

Word	Use	Example
at	Exact time, festival, night	at 5 o'clock, at noon, at night, at Diwali
on	Day, date	on Monday, on 15 August, on my birthday
in	Month, year, season, century, part of day	in May, in 2020, in summer, in the morning/evening/afternoon
since	Point of time se	since 2010, since Monday
for	Period	for 5 years
by	Last time (tak, pehle)	by 5 pm
until/till	Continuous action ka end	wait till 5

Exam Trap (SSC)

- **By vs Till:** by = deadline se pehle (Submit by Monday). till = tab tak chalta raha (Wait till Monday).
- **In time** = samay par (time ke andar), **On time** = theek time par.
- **At the end** (kisi cheez ka ant), **In the end** (aakhir me).
- **During** (kisi time ke dauran, noun ke saath), **While** (conjunction, clause ke saath).
- **Between** = 2, **Among** = 3 ya zyada.
- **Beside** = paas, **Besides** = ke alawa. **Except** = ke bina.

3. Place & Direction

Prep.	Use	Example
at	Chhoti jagah, address	at the bus stop, at home, at school

Prep.	Use	Example
in	Andar, shahar, desh	in Delhi, in a room, in India
on	Surface par	on the table, on the wall
to	Direction ki taraf	go to school
into	Bahar se andar	jump into the river
onto	Surface par chadhna	climb onto the roof
above/over	Oopar	the fan is above the bed / fly over the city
below/under	Neeche	under the table
across	Paar	walk across the road
through	Beech se	pass through the tunnel
towards	Ki or	run towards the gate
against	Virudh	against the wall

4. Appropriate Prepositions (Adjective/Verb + Prep.) - Must Learn

Word	Preposition
accuse	of
afraid	of
angry	with (person), at (thing)
arrive	at (small), in (big city)
ashamed	of
aware	of
beware	of
capable	of
complain	to (person), about/of (thing)
congratulate	on
consist	of
convict	of
deal	with / in
die	of (disease), from (injury)
differ	from (things), with (opinion)
disgusted	with
divide	into (parts), between (2), among (many)

Word	Preposition
engaged	in (work), to (person)
equal	to
fond	of
good/bad	at
guilty	of
hope	for
indifferent	to
insist	on
interested	in
jealous	of
listen	to
married	to
proud	of
reason	for
rely	on
responsible	for
sorry	for/about
suffer	from
superior/inferior	to
talk	to/with
tired	of
wait	for
worry	about

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- Prefer ... to ... (than [WRONG]): "I prefer tea to coffee."
- Superior, inferior, senior, junior, prior, preferable ke baad to.
- Reason for ("the reason for", not of). Result of, reason behind.
- Discuss, order, request, reach, attack, resemble, marry, enter, approach, address, answer ke baad preposition nahi aata (transitive verbs): "discuss about" [WRONG], "marry with" [WRONG], "reach to" [WRONG] (reached Delhi). Resemble [WRONG] with.
- Mention ke baad bhi nahi: "mention it". Explain to someone: "explain it to me".

- Prepositions ke baad V-ing: "He is fond of reading." "Thanks for coming."
- Different from / than: SSC me "different from" sahi. Compared to (similar dikhana), compared with (difference dekhna).
- Death/ill/ill of: "died of cancer". Look at, look for (dhundhna), look after (dekhbhaal), look into (jaanch).

Trick / Yaad rakhne ka tareeka

- Between/among: B for 2 (both), A for many.
- In-on-at: AT point, ON surface, IN space.

Q. "Reach to Delhi" sahi hai?

Ans. Galat. Sahi: "Reach Delhi" ya "arrive in Delhi" ("reach" ke baad preposition nahi).

Q. "The property was divided ___ the three brothers": between ya among?

Ans. Among - teen (3) logon ke liye.

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