

### What are some common mistakes in preposition?

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# **Preposition:**



Preposition is one of the most important part of speech.

A preposition is a word that shows the relation between a word and a noun or a pronoun that comes after the preposition.

#### **Example:**

1) The cat sat **on** the table.



Here the word 'on' establishes a relationship or a link between the cat and table.

2) The girl ran **towards** her brother.



Here in the second sentence the word'towards' shows a relation between the girl and brother.

### **Different Types of Preposition:**

There are different kinds of prepositions. They are as follows:

- 1. Preposition of Time
- 2. Preposition of direction
- 3. Preposition of place

Preposition of Time (in, on, at)	1. In
	Month or year

	For example: In December, in
	2012.
	Particular time of day or Century.
	In the 20 <sup>th</sup> Century, in the morning,
	in the afternoon
	2. On
	<u>Day</u>
	On Monday
	<u>Date</u>
	On 25 <sup>th</sup> December
	3. At
	<u>Time</u>
	At 5 pm
	Short or precise time
	At noon, at lunch time
Preposition of Direction (to, towards, in, into, through)	Prepositions like to, towards, into are used to show a direction.
	The girl went to school.
	She ran towards the mall.
Preposition of Place (In, on, at)	1. In
	for an enclosed space
	in a bus, in the wardrobe
	2. On
	<u>Surface</u>
	On the wall, on the floor.
	3. At
	Specific Place
	At the bus station, at the
	airport

## **Some Common Mistakes in Prepositions**



Although prepositions are very small words like in, at, on from etc but they are considered to be the most

important words in a sentence.

Without a correct preposition the sentence would become meaningless. Some common mistakes in prepositions are as follows:

Use of at and to	At tells us where an object is and to indicates another location.  For example: We arrived at the airport.  We came back to home.
Use of since and for	For is used to determine time and since is used to determine a particular period.  Ram stays here for 10 years.  He has been working here since 2005.
Use of at, in, for, on	In and for are used for general purpose while at and on are used for specific dates.  He will meet me in the evening.  He will meet me at 4 pm in the evening.  The meeting is scheduled on 20 <sup>th</sup> July.
Use of about and around	About and around are used to determine or express approximate quantity.
Use of In	In is used to talk about continents, cities, and towns.  He was born in the USA.

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