

## Prepositions of Place

**Language Focus**

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

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

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

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

<b>Under</b>	Your feet are <b>under</b> the desk.
<b>Beside / Next to</b>	You can stand <b>beside / next to</b> the desk.
<b>Near</b>	Is there a restaurant <b>near</b> here?
<b>In front of</b>	Don't sit <b>in front of</b> us. We can't see the blackboard.
<b>Behind</b>	The girl is hiding <b>behind</b> the door.
<b>Between</b>	The boss is standing <b>between</b> 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: 11<sup>th</sup> floor.

