

ENGLISH GRAMMAR - CHEATSHEET

PAST

PAST SIMPLE: I went to school.
something that happened in the past

PAST PERFECT:

I had gone to school.
an action that happened before another event in the past

PAST CONTINUOUS:

I was going to school.
an activity that happened at a specific moment in the past

PAST PERFECT CONTINUOUS:

I had been going to school.
an action that happened before a certain time in the past

PRESENT

PRESENT SIMPLE: I go to school.
general ongoing, regular, scheduled activity

PRESENT PERFECT:

I have been to school.
an action started in the past that is still true/relevant in the present

PRESENT CONTINUOUS:

I am going to school.
an action occurring now

PRESENT PERFECT CONTINUOUS:

I have been going to school.
an action from the past continuing in the present

FUTURE

FUTURE SIMPLE: I will go to school.
an action to be completed at some point in the future

FUTURE PERFECT:

I will have gone to school.
an action finishing in the future, before or at the time of another action

FUTURE CONTINUOUS:

I will be going to school.
an activity occurring at a specific point in the future

FUTURE PERFECT CONTINUOUS:

I will have been going to school.
an action at a certain point in the future, expressing duration

PREPOSITIONS OF TIME

The 1900s/1999 - Centuries/Decades/Years
March/5 Weeks/Spring - Months/Weeks/Seasons
The Future - Parts of the Day
The Easter Holiday - Periods of Time
The Evening - Holidays

Easter Day - Holidays with „Day“
Sunday Morning - Day & Part of Day
My Birthday - Specific Days
The Weekend/Tuesday - Time/Days
May 3rd - Dates

7am - Hours
Midday - Parts of the Day
The Moment - Time
Easter - Holidays without „Day“

GENERAL
IN

MORE SPECIFIC
ON

VERY SPECIFIC
AT

PREPOSITIONS OF PLACE

Countries - *Germany*
Cities - *Berlin*
Neighborhood - *Kreuzberg*
Enclosed Space - *A Car*



IN
The ball is in the box.



ON
The ball is on the box.



AT
I am at school.

PREPOSITIONS OF TIME

PREPOSITION	EXPLANATION	EXAMPLE
DURING	Something happens within the time that something else is happening	I stayed in the hotel during the earthquake.
FOR	Period of time	I'm going to study for two hours.
UNTIL/TILL	Up to a certain time	I'm on a diet till Christmas.
SINCE	A point of time where something began	I have studied English since January.
FROM...TO	Start and end	The course is from Monday to Friday.
AGO	How far back in time sth. happened	I left the party an hour ago.
BEFORE	A time previous to any specific point in time	I caught the ball before it hit the ground.
BY	Not later than	I will be back by 5pm.
AFTER	Later in time than	I will help you after lunch.
TO	Until/ time until the hour	Three days to Easter. It's five to nine.
BETWEEN... AND	Time that separates two points	I have much to do between now and tomorrow.
WITHIN	A span of time during which something occurs	You should receive an email within the next five minutes.
PAST	Amount of time after the hour	It's five past nine.

PREPOSITIONS OF PLACE

BESIDE
„by the side of“
The ball is beside the box.

NEXT TO
„close to“
The ball is next to the box.

BETWEEN
The ball is between the book and the pen.

BELOW
„related to the idea of lower/ less than“
He kicked his ball below mine.

ABOVE
The picture is being hung above the table.

OVER
The ball is flying over the table.

IN THE MIDDLE
„centre, midpoint“
The ball is in the middle of the table.

IN FRONT OF
The ball is in front of the box.

UNDER
The ball is under the table.

THROUGH
The ball is flying through the box.

BEHIND
The ball is behind the box.