Prepositions of Time:
Explanations and Examples

Prepositions of Time	When used	Example
in	The preposition **"in"** is used to indicate extended period	My father died in 1996.
at	The Preposition **"at"** indicates exact time.	I will meet you at eight o'clock.
on	The preposition **"on"** is used for named days or dates.	Where will you go on Saturday?
from / to	**"From … to"** is used to describe a portion of time	**From** Christmas **to** New Years the shops are quieter
between	**"between"** is used to describe a portion of time	**Between** Christmas and Easter, the shops are busy.
for	**"for"** is used to describe a portion of time or length of time.	I waited **for** six hours
since	**"Since"** means that from some time in the past until now.	I have been in bed **since** yesterday.
during	**"During"** indicates throughout the course or duration of a time period.	**During** the day i get more tired.
before	**"Before"** is used for a point prior to an event or section of time	It is darkest **before** the dawn.
ago	**"Ago"** references a point in time prior to the current time.	Hundreds of years **ago** .
after	**"After"** shows a point post an event or occurrence.	After the rain the sun will shine.
later	**"Later"** describes a point after an event, can be stand alone.	I will call him **later**
until	**"Until"** is used for a continuous event that stops at a particular time.	I won't leave **until** the end of the lesson.
by	**"By"** refers to a discrete event that occurs before a specified time	I want to finish **by** Thursday.
As soon as	**"As soon as"** shows something that happened close to an event or occurrence has finished.	I left **as soon as** the shop closed.
as long as	**"As long as"** refers to a conditional period of time.	**As long as** I'm here, I am in charge