ESOL E2 – Prepositions of place

# of 11 – Welcome

Welcome to this session on prepositions of place.

This session will cover:

* Common prepositions of place
* Practicing using prepositions of place

# of 11 – Prepositions of place

We use **prepositions of place**to say where things are.

For example:

The cat is sitting **on** the table.

The library is **opposite** the bank.

The kettle is **next to** the sink.

# of 11 – Prepositions of place - examples

Here are some common prepositions of place.

By, next to

The dog is **by** the door.

The door is **next to** the dog.

In

The children are **in** the swimming pool.

On

The books are **on** the table.

Under

The newspaper is **under** the chair.

Between

The TV is **between** the shelf and the window.

Opposite

The statues are **opposite** each other.

Behind

The blue book is **behind** the red book.

Above

The clock is **above** the cupboard.

# of 11 – Question 1

If a bank was directly to the right of the school, which of the following statements would be correct?

1. The bank is next to the school
2. The bank is opposite the school
3. The bank is on the corner of the school

Answer: The correct answer is **a)**. “The bank is next to the school.”

# of 11 – Question 2

If a chemist was directly over the road from the school, which of the following statements would be correct?

1. The chemist is next to the school
2. The chemist is opposite the school
3. The chemist is on the corner of the school

Answer: The correct answer is **b)**. “The chemist is opposite the school.”

# of 11 – Question 3

Picture a row of buildings. From left-to-right, there is a school, a bank, a post office and a swimming pool. They run along a road called “High Street”. The road running down from the right of the swimming pool is called “New Road”.

Knowing where the swimming pool is located, which of the following statements is correct?

1. The swimming pool is next to the bank
2. The swimming pool is on opposite the High Street
3. The swimming pool is on the corner of New Road and the High Street

Answer: The correct answer is **c)**. “The swimming pool is on the corner of New Road and the High Street.”

# of 11 – Question 4

The following table represents a fridge with four shelves:

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Mayonnaise |  | Ketchup |
| Cheese |  | Yoghurt |
| Sausages |  | Burgers |
| Carrots | Tomatoes | Lettuce |

Now, based on the information in the table, complete the sentence below by using the following choice of words; **next to**, **on**.

“The cheese is **blank** the second shelf, **blank** the yoghurt.”

Answer:

“The cheese is **on** the second shelf, **next to** the yoghurt.”

# of 11 – Question 5

The following table represents a fridge with four shelves:

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Mayonnaise |  | Ketchup |
| Cheese |  | Yoghurt |
| Sausages |  | Burgers |
| Carrots | Tomatoes | Lettuce |

Now, based on the information in the table, complete the sentence below by using the following choice of words; **next to**, **above**.

“The mayonnaise is **blank** the ketchup and **blank** the cheese.”

Answer:

“The mayonnaise is **next to** the ketchup and **above** the cheese.”

# of 11 – Question 6

The following table represents a fridge with four shelves:

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Mayonnaise |  | Ketchup |
| Cheese |  | Yoghurt |
| Sausages |  | Burgers |
| Carrots | Tomatoes | Lettuce |

Now, based on the information in the table, complete the sentence below by using the following choice of words; **between**, **on**.

“The tomatoes are **blank** the bottom shelf, **blank** the carrots and lettuce.”

Answer:

“The tomatoes are **on** the bottom shelf, **between** the carrots and lettuce.”

# of 11 – Question 7

The following table represents a fridge with four shelves:

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Mayonnaise |  | Ketchup |
| Cheese |  | Yoghurt |
| Sausages |  | Burgers |
| Carrots | Tomatoes | Lettuce |

Now, based on the information in the table, complete the sentence below by using the following choice of words; **next to**, **under**.

“The beef burgers are **blank** the yoghurt and, **blank** the sausages.”

Answer:

“The beef burgers are **next to** the yoghurt and, **under** the sausages.”

# of 11 – End

# Well done. You have completed this session on prepositions of place.

# We have covered:

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# If you have any questions about anything covered in this session, speak to your tutor for more help.