

**A** We say that somebody/something is:

**in a line, in a row, in a queue**  
**in a picture, in a photo(graph)**  
**in a newspaper, in a magazine, in a book**

**in an office, in a department**  
**in the sky, in the world**  
**in the country** (= not in a town)

- ☐ When I go to the cinema, I like to sit **in the front row**.
- ☐ Amy works **in the sales department**.
- ☐ Who is the woman **in that picture**?
- ☐ Do you live in a city or **in the country**?
- ☐ It's a lovely day. There isn't a cloud **in the sky**.



They're standing **in a row**.

**B** We say that somebody/something is:

**on the left, on the right** (or **on the left-hand side, on the right-hand side**)

- ☐ Do you drive **on the left** or **on the right** in your country?

**on the ground floor, on the first floor, on the second floor** etc.

- ☐ Our apartment is **on the second floor** of the building.

**on a map, on a menu, on a list, on a page, on a website**

- ☐ Here's the shopping list. Don't buy anything that's not **on the list**.
- ☐ You'll find the information you need **on our website**.

We say that a place is **on a river / on a road / on the coast**:

- ☐ Vienna is **on the** (river) **Danube**.
- ☐ The town where you live – is it **on the coast** or is it inland?

We say **on the way** (from one place to another):

- ☐ We stopped at a shop **on the way** home.



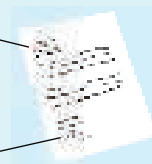
**C** We say:

**at the top** (of ...), **at the bottom** (of ...), **at the end** (of ...)

- ☐ Write your name **at the top of the page**.
- ☐ Jane lives **at the other end of the street**.

**at the top** (of the page)

**at the bottom** (of the page)



**D** We say:

**in the front, in the back** of a car

- ☐ I was **in the back** (of the car) when we had the accident.

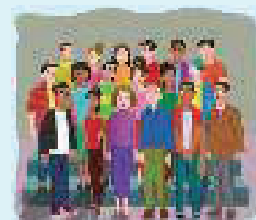
**at the front, at the back** of a building / theatre / group of people etc.

- ☐ The garden is **at the back of the house**.
- ☐ Let's sit **at the front** (of the cinema).
- ☐ We were **at the back**, so we couldn't see very well.

**on the front, on the back** of an envelope / a piece of paper etc.

- ☐ I wrote the date **on the back of the photo**.

**at the back**



**at the front**

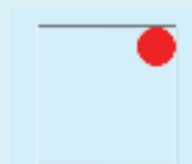
**E** We say:

**in the corner** of a room

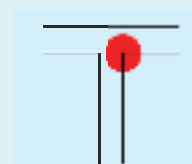
- ☐ The TV is **in the corner** of the room.

**at the corner** or **on the corner** of a street

- ☐ There is a small shop **at the corner** (of the street).  
or ... **on the corner** (of the street).



**in the corner**



**at or on the corner**

## Exercises

**124.1** Answer the questions about the pictures. Use **in**, **at** or **on** with the words below the pictures.



- 1 Where does Amy work? In the sales department.
- 2 Amy lives in this building. Where's her flat exactly? .....
- 3 Where is the woman standing? .....
- 4 Where is the man standing? .....
- 5 Where's the cat? .....
- 6 Where's the dog? .....
- 7 Lisa is in this group of people. Where is she? .....
- 8 Where's the post office? .....
- 9 Gary is at the cinema. Where is he sitting? .....
- 10 Where is the bank? .....

**124.2** Complete the sentences. Use **in**, **at** or **on** + the following:

the west coast  
the front row

the world  
the right

the back of the class  
the back of this card

the sky  
the way to work

- 1 It's a lovely day. There isn't a cloud in the sky.
- 2 In most countries people drive .....
- 3 What is the tallest building .....?
- 4 I met a friend of mine ..... this morning.
- 5 San Francisco is ..... of the United States.
- 6 We went to the theatre last night. We had seats .....
- 7 I couldn't hear the teacher. She spoke quietly and I was sitting .....
- 8 I don't have your address. Could you write it .....?

**124.3** Complete the sentences with **in**, **at** or **on**.

- 1 Write your name at the top of the page.
- 2 Is your sister ..... this photo? I don't recognise her.
- 3 They live in a small house ..... the bottom of the hill.
- 4 We normally use the front entrance to the building, but there's another one ..... the back.
- 5 We had to wait ..... a queue for an hour to check in at the airport.
- 6 There was a list of names, but my name wasn't ..... the list.
- 7 Is there anything interesting ..... today's newspaper?
- 8 I love to look up at the stars ..... the sky at night.
- 9 When I'm a passenger in a car, I prefer to sit ..... the front.
- 10 I live in a very small village. You probably won't find it ..... your map.
- 11 Joe works ..... the furniture department of a large store.
- 12 Paris is ..... the (river) Seine.
- 13 I don't like cities. I'd much prefer to live ..... the country.
- 14 My office is ..... the top floor. It's ..... your left as you come out of the lift.