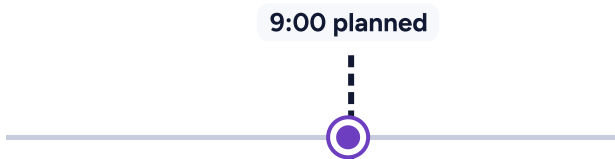


On Time vs In Time

On time means at the planned time, not late: *The train left on time.* **In time** means early enough, before it's too late: *We got there in time to see the start.*

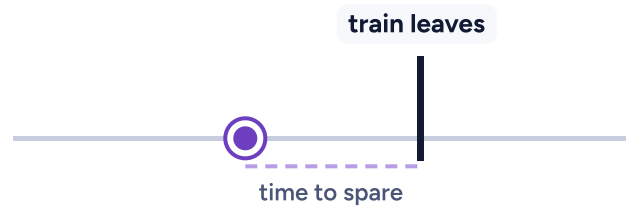
ON TIME · AT THE PLANNED TIME

The train arrived **on time**.



IN TIME · EARLY ENOUGH

We got to the station **in time** to buy coffee.



1. Choose the right answer Circle a or b.

- The flight left _____, at exactly 7:40.
a) in time b) on time
- We got home _____ to watch the match.
a) in time b) on time
- Our teacher is never late. She's always _____.
a) on time b) in time
- Will the repairs be finished _____ for the holidays?
a) on time b) in time
- He jumped back just _____.
a) on time b) in time

2. Correct the mistake

Each sentence has one mistake. Write the correct sentence.

1. The train was in time.

2. We arrived on time to see the start.

3. Please be in time for the 9:00 meeting.

3. Your turn

Write two sentences about your own life: one with **On time** and one with **In time**. Then explain the difference to a partner.

See the rule move

The full lesson, with more pictures, examples and a quiz that checks your answers, is free at clarigram.app/compare/on-time-vs-in-time

On Time vs In Time

1. Choose the right answer

1. **b) on time** At the planned time.
2. **a) in time** Early enough to do something: in time to.
3. **a) on time** Punctual, not late: on time.
4. **b) in time** Early enough, before the holidays: in time for.
5. **b) in time** Only just early enough: just in time.

2. Correct the mistake

1. **The train was on time.** Punctual, at the planned time: on time.
2. **We arrived in time to see the start.** Early enough to do something: in time to.
3. **Please be on time for the 9:00 meeting.** At the planned time, not late: on time.

3. Your turn

Answers will vary. Check that each sentence follows the rule on page 1, or paste them into Clarigram to have them checked.