

Practice

- 1 **GRAMMAR IN USE** Read about the Tower of London and complete the information below with appropriate prepositions of time (if necessary).
 ↻ 2.20 Listen and check.

CEREMONY OF THE KEYS

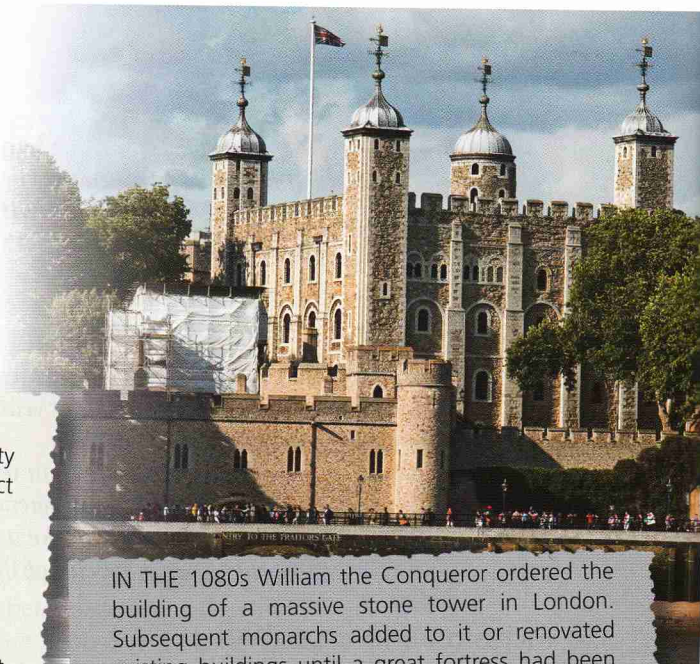
Tickets are free of charge but, due to the popularity of the ceremony, it is necessary to follow the correct process for applications.

PLEASE NOTE 1 April – 31 October inclusive
 groups limited to a maximum of 6 people

1 November – 31 March inclusive
 groups limited to a maximum of 15 people

Visitors will be admitted to the Tower under escort at 21:30 hrs precisely. The ceremony will conclude at 22:05 hrs.

OPENING TIMES	Tuesday – Saturday	09:00–16:30
	Sunday – Monday	10:00–16:30
	Last admission	16:00



IN THE 1080s William the Conqueror ordered the building of a massive stone tower in London. Subsequent monarchs added to it or renovated existing buildings until a great fortress had been built. In both World Wars (1914–18 and 1939–45) the Tower was used as a prison and a place of execution, with 1941 seeing the last execution at the Tower. Today it is a major tourist attraction and a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

The Tower is open (1) nine o'clock (2) half past four. Visitors can enter the Tower (3) four o'clock; (4) that time no tickets will be sold. Visitors must arrive for the Ceremony of the Keys (5) half past nine; please arrive (6) time as latecomers will not be admitted. (7) winter months groups of 15 people may attend the ceremony but (8) the summer this will be limited to six only.

There has been a tower on the site (9) the 11th century. (10) that time the building has been extended and developed. The present Tower was used as a prison (11) the first part of the 20th century. It was also a place of execution; the last one was (12) 1941.

2 Choose the correct option in *italics*.

- Don't forget that your final assignment must be handed to your tutor – / *on* next Monday.
- The soldiers didn't arrive at the village *on* / *in* time – the rebels had already burned the remaining houses.
- Don't be late for the Philharmonia concert – you know they always start dead *on* / *in* time.
- There has been no sign of the birds *until* / *since* nightfall.
- David Mamet's latest play will be showing on Broadway *while* / *during* the whole of December.
- If we do not receive payment *until* / *by* 31st July, we shall take legal action.
- As he was opening the shop at 7.30 in the morning, Mr Charles was attacked *by* / *with* a baseball bat.
- Alexander Graham Bell spent much of his life *as* / *like* a teacher.
- Except* / *Apart* for a few less experienced individuals, all of the recent applicants were taken on.
- This publication is made *of* / *from* paper from sustainable forests.
- Old skyscrapers look tiny now *beside* / *besides* the huge towers being built today.
- I'm calling *for the sake of* / *on behalf of* my elderly mother to arrange an appointment.