Prepositions to Express Time, Cause and Place

Prepositions can be used to show time e.g. The clock chimed <u>at 8 o'clock</u>. They can also be used to express cause e.g. <u>Due to</u> heavy rain, the match was cancelled. They can also be used to show place e.g. The cat climbed <u>up</u> the tree.

1) Sort the prepositions into the table below to show if they are used to express time, cause or place.

Time	Cause	Place

at 11 o'clock	underneath	towards
because of	against	due to
around	on Saturday	across
in December	through	behind

2) Circle the most suitable preposition to complete each sentence.

The horse rubbed its back around / against the fence.

Taylor passed her judo examination due to / towards working hard all year.

Mrs Greenhow is sitting in her armchair on / beside the window.

Our class got a reward **because of / on** the effort we had put into the school play.

3) Circle the prepositions in the sentences below. Some sentences have more than one.

We strolled along the sandy beach.

On Saturday, I will meet my friend at the cinema.

The athletes sprinted around the track and jumped over the hurdles.

The talent show in the school hall will begin at 7 o'clock.



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