**Time 2 - handout**

**Now**

* adverb of time: at the present time, at this moment
* usually end position in the sentence
* very often with present continuous
* *by now*: a period of time ending at the present moment/not later than now

*from now on*: a period of time starting at the present moment

*until now, before now*

**Then**

* adverb of time: at that time in the past / at that time in the future
* we need to know the time from the context
* usually end position in the sentence
* can go with prepositions: *until then, before then, by then*
* next*/after that*; front position in the sentence

**Soon**

* adverb of time: a short time after now / a short time after a point in the past

*She’s coming soon. (from now) / She came soon after Christmas.*

* front /mid / end position in the sentence
* *soon* x *early*!!!

**Once**

* adverb: at some time in the past (for the future we use *sometime* or *one day*)
* usually in mid position
* *at once* = immediately: without delay/waiting

*at once* = at the same time: *Everything happened at once – she graduated, got married and found a job, all in June!*

**On time**

* at the planned time, neither late nor early

**In time**

* early enough/before the last moment

**At the end**

* preposition
* *at the end of*: at the time when something ends

**In the end**

* adverb
* *in the end* = finally; when saying the final result of a situation: *Jim couldn’t decide where to go on holiday. He didn’t go anywhere in the end.*

**Later**

* adverb
* at a time in the future from now or after the time that was mentioned
* usually end position

**After**

* preposition
  + later than: *Shall we have a swim after lunch?*
  + used with a noun or pronoun
* adverb in phrases: *shortly after, long after, a few days after, ever after, etc.*

**Afterwards**

* adverb
* doesn’t need a noun or pronoun

**Before**

* preposition
  + earlier than: *Shall we have a swim before lunch?*
  + used with a noun a pronoun
* adverb
  + at any time before now/then: *I haven’t been here before.* ; the previous day/morning/year...: *the day before/the year before...*

**Just**

* adverb
* very short time before now/then: *I have just seen him.*
* at this moment: *I am just having lunch.*
* mid position

**Yet**

* adverb
* until now
* negative sentences or questions

**Already**

* adverb
* something happened earlier than we expected; we are surprised
* mid position

**Still**

* adverb
* something is in progress/continuing
* mid position