Definition of within in English:

**within**

**PREPOSITION**

1. Inside (something)
   ‘the spread of fire within the building’
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1.1 Inside the range of (an area or boundary)
   ‘property located within the green belt’
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1.2 Inside the range of (a specified action or perception)
   ‘we were within sight of the finish’
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1.3 Inside the bounds set by (a concept, argument, etc.)
   ‘full cooperation within the terms of the treaty’
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2. Not further off than (used with distances)
   ‘he lives within a few miles of Oxford’
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3. Occurring inside (a particular period of time)

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‘tickets were sold out within two hours’
‘33 per cent offended again within two years of being released’

ADVERB

1 Inside; indoors.
‘enquire within’

1.1 Internally or inwardly.
‘beauty coming from within’

Phrases

within doors

dated Indoors.

Origin

Late Old English withinan ‘on the inside’.

Pronunciation

within /ˈwɪðˌɪn/