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Emoji	The fire was burning on the hearth within.	•
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## Origin of within

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#### preposition

1 in; inside; enclosed or encased by

before (a period of time) has elapsed within a week

not beyond the limits of; not differing by more than (a specified amount) from *live within your means*; *within seconds of the world record* 

#### adverb

#### formal inside; internally

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