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