

# Fielding at mid-on and mid-off

## Why mid-on and mid-off?

Mid-on and mid-off are placed to stop straight shots played by the batter. They cover the area known as the “V” (the space in front of the batter, either side of the bowler), helping to reduce easy runs.

## What are fielding positions?

In cricket, every fielder is given a specific place to stand, called a fielding position. Each position has a clear job to help stop runs or get the batter out. Pupils will already know two key positions: the bowler and the wicketkeeper.

## What are on and off-side positions?

- The off-side is where the bat faces → this is where mid-off stands
- The leg side (on side) is where the batter’s body faces → this is where mid-on stands

**Simple cue:** “Mid off = bat side, mid on = body side.”

