among Apresyan (En-Ru) [ə'mʌŋ] *prep* указывает на 1. 1) положение среди группы предметов или лиц среди, посреди, между a village among the hills - деревня среди холмов a house among the trees - дом, окружённый деревьями one among many - один из многих 2) движение предмета или лица среди других предметов или лиц среди; через he passed among the crowd - он пробирался через /сквозь/ толпу the explorers had to grope their way among the ruins - исследователям пришлось ощупью пробираться среди развалин 2. 1) связь предмета или лица с другими предметами или лицами среди among guests were two actors - среди гостей были два актёра several among the audience heard it - кое-кто из публики слышал это 2) превосходство над другими предметами или лицами (обыкн. при прилагательных в превосходной степени) из, среди fairest among women - красивейшая из женщин pre-eminent among the writers of his day - самый выдающийся из писателей того времени Paris is among the largest cities in the world - Париж - один из самых больших городов мира 3. распределение чего-л. среди нескольких человек между to divide property among the heirs - разделить имущество между наследниками not five pounds among them - у них нет и пяти фунтов на всех 4. взаимность отношений или связанность действий между, между собой lasting peace among the peoples - прочный мир между народами they quarrel among themselves - они ссорятся между собой settle it among yourselves - уладьте это между собой; договоритесь об этом сами you have, among you, spoiled the child - вы все вместе испортили/избаловали/ ребёнка 5. соотнесённость действий с какой-л. средой, эпохой и т. п. у, среди, в эпоху it was the custom among our ancestors - таков был обычай наших предков among the ancient Greeks - у древних греков 6. в сочетаниях: from among - из, среди a strange figure rose from among the crowd - над толпой возвышалась странная фигура among other things - между прочим among other things he said that ... - между прочим он сказал, что ... Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed. among (also amongst BrE [əˈmʌŋst] ; among BrE [əˈmʌŋ] * NAmE [əˈmʌŋ] * NAmE [əˈmʌŋst] *) preposition 1. surrounded by sb/sth; in the middle of sb/sth · a house among the trees They strolled among the crowds. I found the letter amongst his papers. · It's OK, you're among friends now. 2. being included or happening in groups of things or people A British woman was among the survivors · He was among the last to leave. This attitude is common among the under-25s. · 'What was wrong with the job?' 'Well, the pay wasn't good, among other things.' • Discuss it among yourselves (= with each other) first. 3. used when you are dividing or choosing sth, and three or more people or things are involved They divided the money up among their three children. Word Origin: [among] Old English ongemang (from on 'in' + gemang 'assemblage, mingling'). among Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En) AmE ^{*} a mong S2 W1 /əˈmʌŋ/ BrE * (also a mongst/ə mʌŋst/) preposition [Language: Old English; Origin: on gemonge, from on + gemong 'crowd]

1. in or through the middle of a group of people or things:

- The girl quickly disappeared among the crowd.
- I could hear voices coming from somewhere among the bushes.
- We walked among the chestnut woods on the mountain slopes.
- She began rummaging among the books on her desk. ⇒ 1between

2. with a particular group of people:

Jim relaxed, knowing he was among friends.

3. used to say that many people in a group have the same feeling or opinion, or that something affects many people in a group:

- The problem is causing widespread concern among scientists.
- The general opinion among police officers was that the law should be tightened.
- The changes will mean 7,000 job losses among railway workers.
- 4. used to talk about a particular person, thing, or group as belonging to a larger group:

- She was the eldest among them.
- Innocent civilians were among the casualties.
- My grandfather had among his possessions a portrait by Matisse.
- Representatives were chosen by the students from among themselves.
- **5**. **among other things/places/factors etc** used to say that you are only mentioning one or two people or things out of a much larger group:
 - At the meeting they discussed, among other things, recent events in Japan.
- 6. if something is divided or shared among a group of people, each person is given a part of it:
 - A father's property was divided among his heirs.
- 7. among yourselves/ourselves/themselves with each other:
 - The allies found it hard to agree among themselves.

GRAMMAR

among, between

When you are talking about position, use **among** if there are more than two people or things around someone or something, and **between** if there is just one person or thing on each side:

- They hid among the reeds.
- I put my bag on the ground between my feet.
- ▶ Among is not commonly used after words such as 'relationship' and 'difference', even when more than two people or things are involved. Use **between**:
- the relationship between these three sectors of the economy

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