

Prepositional Phrases



Prepositions

- A preposition is a word that indicates place or direction. **Examples**: across, into, between, above, beyond, towards, behind, over.
- Prepositions describe the relationship between the subject of a sentence and another object.

For example: The apple was <u>under</u> the table.

The glider flew through the air.

The boy walked *towards* the school.

Which of the following words are prepositions?

in	to	house	location
travel	walk	inside	tomorrow
visit	mountain	beside	later
journey	upon	off	during

Prepositional Phrases

- A prepositional phrase includes the object that the preposition in a sentence is referring to and any other words that link it to the preposition. For example: He hid <u>beneath the duvet</u>.
- A prepositional phrase usually includes a preposition, a noun or pronoun and may include an adjective. IT DOES NOT INCLUDE THE VERB!

Can you pick out the prepositional phrases from these sentences?

The general ordered the troops to retreat to the valley.

Jules was delighted to find a present inside the egg.

Mike didn't think he could run up the hill.

Where could it be? It wasn't in the box and it wasn't round the back.

When the siren sounded they all set off into the ancient woods.

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How many prepositional phrases can you make using these prepositions and objects. Can you make any interesting ones?

down

above

among

before

under

concerning

between

inside

towards

along

during

beyond

amid

until

over

between

to

against

beside

crow

cow

chocolate

song

tiger

knife

hamster

carrots

tune

fridge

computer

hill

whale

dawn

trees

cave

mystery

stadium

beach