

Prepositions



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- A preposition relates its object (noun or pronoun) to some other word in the sentence.

Frequently Used Prepositions

About	Along	Behind	Between	During	Inside	Off	Outside	To	Up
Above	Among	Below	Beyond	Except	Into	On	Over	Toward	Upon
Across	Around	Beneath	But	For	Like	Onto	Past	Under	With
After	At	Beside	By	From	Near	Opposite	Since	Underneath	Within
Against	Before	Besides	Down	In	Of	Out	Through	Until	Without

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- Recognizing Prepositions:
 - Examples:
 - ✦ The boys played basketball **at** noon.
 - ✦ The boys played basketball **before** noon.
 - Identify the preposition in the following sentences:
 - ✦ A basketball hoop is suspended above each end.
 - ✦ Each player has a position to play in the game.
 - ✦ At the beginning, a jump ball gets the game started.
 - ✦ The team that has the most points by the end wins.

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- Prepositions consisting of 2 or 3 words are called **compound prepositions**.

Compound Prepositions		
According to	By means of	Instead of
Ahead of	In addition to	In view of
Apart from	In back of	Next to
Aside from	In front of	On account of
As of	In place of	On top of
Because of	In spite of	Out of

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- The choice of preposition affects the way the other words in a sentence relate to each other.
 - Example:
 - ✦ The boys played (**near, opposite, in back of**) the gym.
 - Notice how each preposition changes the relationship between **played** and **gym**.

Prepositional Phrases



- **Preposition Rules:**
 - Preposition **must always** be followed by a noun.
 - The group of words beginning with the preposition and ending with the noun or pronoun is called a **prepositional phrase**.
 - The **noun or pronoun** that follows the preposition is called the **object of the preposition**.
- **Examples:**
 - **with us**
 - **according to** the new **coach**
 - **inside** the large, modern **stadium**