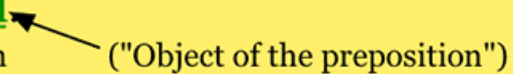


Identifying Prepositions

A **preposition** shows the relationship between a noun and other words in a sentence.

Prepositions often give us details about *where* or *when*.

Lucy and her cousin jumped on the bed  ("Object of the preposition")
Preposition Noun

Mike put his backpack under his desk.
Preposition Noun

After lunch, Kerrie and I went salsa dancing.
Preposition Noun

***Where* Prepositions**

behind	toward
onto	near
within	outside
from	past

***When* Prepositions**

before	since
between	throughout
after	through
during	until

Identifying Prepositional Phrases

A **prepositional phrase** is a phrase that starts with a preposition and ends with a noun or pronoun ("object").

A **preposition** shows the relationship between a noun and other words in a sentence.



Prepositional phrases can be found at the beginning or in the middle of sentences.

Matt put his backpack **under his desk.**

After lunch, Kerrie and I went salsa dancing.

I can't submit my paper **without a cover page!**

Here are some common examples of prepositions:

***Where* Prepositions**

behind	to
onto	near
within	outside
from	of

***When* Prepositions**

before	since
between	throughout
after	through
during	until

Prepositional Phrases Can Modify Verbs

A **prepositional phrase** is a phrase that starts with a preposition and ends with a noun or pronoun ("object").

Prepositional phrases often modify **verbs**, or action words, in a sentence.

Lucy and her cousin **jumped** on the bed.
Verb Prepositional Phrase

After our meeting, Kerrie and I **went** salsa dancing.
Prepositional Phrase Verb

Josh **put** his backpack under his desk.
Verb Prepositional Phrase

Here are some common examples of prepositions:

Prepositions

about	behind	toward	before
across	to	near	from
during	within	of	past

Identify the preposition in the sentence below:

Inside the candy store, John Oliver sampled the owner's handmade chocolate fudge.

Inside the candy store, John Oliver sampled the owner's handmade chocolate fudge.

Captain America promised to meet me by the ice cream stand.

Captain America promised to meet me by the ice cream stand.

Throughout the audition, Haymitch Abernathy made sure to keep smiling.

Throughout the audition, Haymitch Abernathy made sure to keep smiling.

Identify the verb that's modified by the prepositional phrase in the sentence below:

During intermission, George Orwell ate a small snack.

During intermission, George Orwell ate a small snack.

Margaret finished her milkshake and slammed her glass on the table.

Margaret finished her milkshake and slammed her glass on the table.

Identify the noun or noun phrase that's modified by the prepositional phrase in the sentence below:

Matthew Perry's book is about the Renaissance.

Matthew Perry's book is about the Renaissance.

I think the uniform in the laundry is Ella Fitzgerald's.

I think the uniform in the laundry is Ella Fitzgerald's.

Identify the prepositional phrase in the sentence below:

In the cave, Noah Prince found the pirate's treasure.

In the cave, Noah Prince found the pirate's treasure.

Matt LeBlanc's pet parrot always sits on his left shoulder.

Matt LeBlanc's pet parrot always sits on his left shoulder.

At the food court, George Orwell bought two corn dogs.

At the food court, George Orwell bought two corn dogs.