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Prepositions and Prepositional Phrases

A preposition tells where something is or when something happens.

A prepositional phrase is a group of words that begins with a preposition.

Example: The backpack is under the table.

Preposition: under

Prepositional phrase: under the table

Directions: Circle the prepositional phrase. Write the preposition on the line.

- 1 The book is under the desk. _____
- 2 The fish swims in the pond. _____
- 3 The ball rolled across the floor. _____
- 4 The baby slept in the crib. _____
- 5 We eat lunch at school. _____
- 6 The cat hid behind the couch. _____
- 7 The kite flew above the trees. _____
- 8 The shoes are by the door. _____

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Prepositions for Where

Prepositional phrases can tell **WHERE** something is.

Example: The library is near the park.

Preposition: near

Prepositional phrase: near the park

Directions: Circle the prepositional phrase.

- 1 Mia ran to the playground.
- 2 She slid down the slide.
- 3 Her friend waited by the swings.
- 4 The dog ran around the yard.
- 5 The bird sat on the fence.
- 6 The toy is inside the box.

Directions: Complete each sentence with a prepositional phrase that tells where.

- 1 The puppy sleeps _____.
- 2 The bird flew _____.
- 3 The ball rolled _____.
- 4 The frog jumped _____.

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Prepositions for When

Prepositional phrases can tell WHEN something happens.

Example: We sing songs during music class.

Preposition: during

Prepositional phrase: during music class

Directions: Circle the prepositional phrase.

- 1 We brush our teeth before bed.
- 2 Mom calls me at noon.
- 3 The movie starts after dinner.
- 4 During math class, we count by tens.
- 5 I will wait until tomorrow.
- 6 We play outside after school.
- 7 Dad wakes up in the morning.

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Review: Where or When

Circle the prepositional phrase.

Write WHERE or WHEN on the line.

- 1 Ben played outside after school. _____
- 2 The cat jumped onto the couch. _____
- 3 We read stories before bedtime. _____
- 4 The frog sat on the rock. _____
- 5 Dad works in the morning. _____
- 6 The plane flew over the clouds. _____
- 7 We eat dinner at 6:00. _____
- 8 The kids play during recess. _____