



Prepositions

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A **preposition** is a word that shows the relationship between a noun or pronoun and some other word in the sentence.

Examples:

The children played off the playground.

The children played in the playground.

The children played around the playground.



Some Commonly Used Prepositions

About	before	down	of	throughout
above	behind	during	off	to
across	below	except	on	toward
after	beneath	for	onto	under
against	beside	from	out	underneath
along	between	outside	in	until
among	beyond	inside	over	up
around	but	into	past	upon
as	by	like	since	with
Without	through	despite	at	near



Compound Prepositions

according to

in response to

in accordance with

because of

inside of

in place of

by way of

on account of

except for

as well as

in spite of

in addition to

by means of

instead of

in relation to



Object of the Preposition

The object of the preposition is always a noun, a pronoun, or a noun equivalent.

Examples:

With poise, Gwyneth Paltrow walked to the stage and accepted her Academy Award.

The Palace welcomed the Prince of Monaco and scheduled a sightseeing tour **for** him.

The director asked **about** proposing the summer programs of LSC in the different schools.



Prepositions Indicating Time

1. Use **on** before days of the week, before months followed by the day, or before the time indicating the day, month and year.

Example:

I will be going back to the province on Saturday.

Val's birthday is on May 3.

My sister was born on July 10, 1982.



Prepositions Indicating Time

2. Use **in** to indicate year, before months not followed by day, or before the month and year without the day.

Example:

The next presidential elections will be in 2004.

Flowers bloom in May and in June.

They migrated to Canada in December 1976.



Prepositions Indicating Time

3. Use for to refer to a period of time stating the number of hours, days, or weeks.

Example:

The visitors waited for three hours.

The typhoon lasted for two days.

Shiela and her friends went island hopping for five weeks.



Prepositions Indicating Time

4. Use **during** to refer to a period of time.

Example:

Martha visited her relatives in Cebu
during the semestral break.

During the first two months, Kelly's
mother would go with her to school.



Prepositions Indicating Time

5. Use **since** to refer to a period of time from the past to the present.

Example:

He has been that way since birth.

We haven't seen each other since last year.



Prepositions Indicating Place or Position

1. Use **between** when you speak of two persons, places, or things.

Example:

I stood between Apollo and Athena.



Prepositions Indicating Place or Position

2. among when you speak of three or more persons, places, or things.

Example:

Please divide the cake equally among the guests.



Prepositions Indicating Place or Position

3. Use **on** in an address with **only** the name of the street.

Example:

She lives on Rizal Street.



Prepositions Indicating Place or Position

4. Use **at** when referring to places which indicate the general location.

Example:

She lives at 1234 Rizal Street.



Prepositions Indicating Place or Position

5. Use **at** when referring to places which indicate the general location.

Example:

We will meet them at the station.



Prepositions Indicating Place or Position

6. Use **in** when the given location is more specific.

Example:

I am now in the lobby of the hotel.



Prepositions Indicating Place or Position

7. Use in when something is already inside.

Example:

The money is in my wallet.



Prepositions Indicating Place or Position

8. Use into when there is movement involved in the placement of something.

Example:

The boy threw the crumpled piece of paper into the trash can.

