

A **preposition** is a word that shows the relationship between a noun (or pronoun) and other words in a sentence. It usually indicates direction, place, time, cause, manner, or possession.

Types of Prepositions

1. **Prepositions of Place** – Indicate location.
 - o Examples: *in, on, at, under, between, behind*
 - o *The book is **on** the table.*
2. **Prepositions of Time** – Indicate time reference.
 - o Examples: *in, on, at, before, after, during*
 - o *She was born **in** July.*
3. **Prepositions of Direction/Movement** – Show movement from one place to another.
 - o Examples: *to, into, onto, towards, from*
 - o *He walked **to** the park.*
4. **Prepositions of Manner, Cause, or Reason** – Explain how or why something happens.
 - o Examples: *by, with, because of, due to*
 - o *He wrote the code **with** Python.*
5. **Prepositions of Possession** – Show ownership.
 - o Examples: *of, with, belonging to*
 - o *The keys **of** the car are missing.*
6. **Prepositions of Comparison or Contrast** – Show comparison between things.
 - o Examples: *like, unlike, than, as*
 - o *She is taller **than** her brother.*

Common Prepositional Phrases

Prepositions often form **prepositional phrases**, consisting of a preposition + a noun/pronoun.

- Examples: *at the station, under the desk, for the team, in a hurry*

Usage in IT Context

Prepositions are important in technical writing and programming instructions.

- **Example:** *Store the file **in** the directory.*
- **Example:** *Send the request **to** the server.*

Common Errors with Prepositions

1. **Incorrect:** *Discuss about the project.* ✓ *Discuss the project.*
2. **Incorrect:** *Marry with him.* ✓ *Marry him.*
3. **Incorrect:** *Enter into the room.* ✓ *Enter the room.*