



Prepositions of Place 3

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Exercise 1 – Learning

Prepositions of place in this lesson: **into**, **across**, **inside/outside**, **beside/next to**

Into

Use the preposition '**into**' to talk about movement from the outside to the inside of something:

- He jumped **into** the sea.
- The baby climbed **into** the cabinet.

Across

Use the preposition '**across**' to talk about:

1. Things that go from one side to another:

- The man is jumping **across** the gap.

2. Things that are on the other side of something:

- The house is **across** the street from us.



Inside

Use the preposition '**inside**' to talk about someone/something that is in an **enclosed space** (= a space with sides, walls, a ceiling):

- There are many letters **inside** the mailbox.
- I am **inside** my friend's house.

Tip: We do not say that someone is **inside** a country/a forest/a park, because these places are usually not physically enclosed. We say **in** a country/a forest/a park.

Outside

Use the preposition '**outside**' to talk about people/things/animals that are not inside something:

- Please leave your shoes **outside**.
- There is a dog **outside** the house.

Tip: We often use '**inside**' and '**outside**' by themselves as adverbs. For example: "It's raining. Please come **inside** (the house, car, etc.). Don't stand **outside**."



Beside/Next to

Use the preposition '**beside**' or '**next to**' to talk about someone/something that is very close to someone/something else:

Beside:

- The cups are **beside** the sink.
- My mom is **beside** my dad.

Next to:

- A woman is sitting **next to** a man.
- The table is **next to** the bed.



Exercise 2 – Multiple Choice

Choose the correct answers to complete the sentences.

1. I drove _____ the United States.

- a) beside
- b) across

2. I parked _____ this house.

- a) beside
- b) inside

3. The weather is so nice! Let's sit _____.

- a) outside
- b) inside

4. It's cold today! Let's stay _____.

- a) outside
- b) inside



5. My office is _____ the train station.

- a) next to
- b) into

6. Let's go _____ the water!

- a) into
- b) next to

7. The teacher sat _____ the two students.

- a) beside
- b) into

8. He lives _____ the street from here.

- a) inside
- b) across



Exercise 3 – Sentence Construction

Use what you learned in class to create sentences with your tutor.

Example: The baby is hiding, the closet. → The baby is hiding inside the closet.

Content:

1. My mom lives, the supermarket.
2. She jumped, the crowd.
3. Lisa's office is, my office.
4. Peter is, the house.
5. I love to travel, the country.
6. The chair is, the TV.