

PREPOSITIONS

A word used to show the relationship of a noun or a pronoun to another word in the sentence is called a preposition.

The following words may be used as prepositions. Some may also be used as adverbs or conjunctions.

at	before	by	in	up	upon
about	behind	concerning	like	since	with
above	below	down	near	through	without
after	beneath	during	of	to	
against	beside	except	off	toward	
along	between	for	on	under	
among	beyond	from	over	underneath	
around	but (meaning except)		past	until	

A group of words beginning with a preposition and ending with a noun or a pronoun is called a prepositional phrase.

through a ravine	before breakfast	for you
around the red barn	beside the lake	between you and me

Draw a line under each prepositional phrase in the following sentences.

1. The books of poetry are on the top shelf.
2. Do your work in the study hall or do it at home.
3. After the dance we went to Larry's house.
4. His home near Daytona Beach has a fine view of the ocean.
5. Behind the fence I found my bicycle with a flat tire.
6. Since September he has been headmaster of our school.
7. As I walked from the building, I met the principal on the steps.
8. For social studies I read a book about Lincoln.
9. Margaret lives two blocks down the street near the corner.
10. Beyond the valley the mountains were black against the sky.