

APC English

timetable

		Wednesday		
		10.30 to 12.00	1.0 to 2.30	2.30 to 4
4-Dec-24	1	Intro	Prepositional Phrases	Proverbs
11-Dec-24	2	Noun Phrases	Collective Nouns	Idioms
18-Dec-24	3	Noun Phrases 2	Compound Nouns	Similes vs Metaphors
25-Dec-24		Christmas		
1-Jan-25		New Year		
8-Jan-25	4	Verb Phrases	Interviews Practice Lesson	
15-Jan-25	5	Verb Phrases 2	Phrasal verbs	Expressions

Prepositional Phrases

what are prepositions

<https://www.alps.academy/learn-english-prepositions/>

prepositions

He is in the garden.
She is fond of music

prepositions of place

- on
- in
- at
- under
- below
- above
- beside
- near

prepositions of time

- I have class **at** 3 pm
- I go to the gym **in** the morning
- My birthday is **on** May 20th

prepositions of movement

- She walked **to** the store.
- The cat jumped **over** the fence.
- They ran **across** the field.
- He climbed **up** the tree.
- The ball rolled **down** the hill.

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what are phrases?

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noun phrases

- A noun phrase consists of a noun and its modifiers.
- Modifiers include articles, adjectives, and other elements that provide more information about the noun.
 - **The happy cat**
 - **Two delicious slices of pizza**

verb phrases

- A verb phrase includes the main verb and its auxiliary (helping) verbs, if any. It represents the action or state of being in a sentence.
 - **Is studying** for the exam
 - **Will have completed** the project

prepositional phrases

The background features abstract, overlapping purple geometric shapes, primarily triangles and polygons, in various shades of purple, ranging from light lavender to dark indigo. The shapes are layered, creating a sense of depth and movement. The overall composition is clean and modern.

prepositional phrases

A prepositional phrase **begins with a preposition** and includes a noun (or pronoun) (which is) the object of the preposition.

On the table

- *Preposition:* **On**
- *Object :* **The table**

prepositional phrases

It provides information about the relationship of the noun to the rest of the sentence.

- _____ on the table
 - so _____ is **on** the table
- _____ under the bridge
 - so _____ is **under** the bridge

prepositional phrases

It provides information about the relationship of the noun to the rest of the sentence.

- *the key* is on the table
 - so *the key* is **on** the table
- *the dog* is under the bridge
 - so *the dog* is **under** the bridge

sentence subjects:
the key
the dog

prepositional phrases

It provides information about the relationship of the noun to the rest of the sentence.

- *the book* is on the table
 - so *the book* is **on** the table
- *the river* runs under the bridge
 - so *the river* is **under** the bridge

sentence subjects:
the book
the river

structure of prepositional phrases

prepositional phrase = preposition + the object

On the table

Preposition: on

Object of the Preposition: the table

“The book is on the table.”

In this example, “on” is the preposition, and “the table” is the object of the preposition.

prepositional phrase = preposition + the object

At the park

Preposition: at

Object of the Preposition: the park

“We had a picnic at the park.”

In this example, “at” is the preposition, and “the park” is the object of the preposition.

prepositional phrase = preposition + the object

Under the bridge

Preposition: under

Object of the Preposition: the bridge

“The river flows under the bridge.”

In this example, “under” is the preposition, and “the bridge” is the object of the preposition.

prepositional phrase = preposition + the object

In the morning

Preposition: in

Object of the Preposition: the morning

“The sun rises brightly in the morning.”

In this example, “in” is the preposition, and “the morning” is the object of the preposition.

prepositional phrase = preposition + the object

With my friends

Preposition: with

Object of the Preposition: my friends

“I enjoy playing with my friends”

In this example, “with” is the preposition, and “my friends” is the object of the preposition.

Exercise 1: which prepositional phrases could be added to each sentence beginning

1. The cat is a) on the field.
2. We went for a walk b) between the cushions.
3. She sat c) across the country.
4. They played soccer d) under the bed.
5. The book is e) in the park.
6. We travelled f) on the roof.
7. I found my keys g) beside her brother.

There are multiple sentences that are correct English, we are looking for the BEST sentences

Exercise 1: add the correct prepositional phase to the sentence beginning

1. The cat is **on the roof**.
2. We went for a walk **in the park**.
3. She sat **beside her brother**.
4. They played soccer **on the field**.
5. The book is **under the bed**.
6. We travelled **across the country**.
7. I found my keys **between the cushions**.



pronunciation practice

common consonant clusters - “bl” as in “black”

- black
- blue
- bloom
- blend
- blink
- blame
- bless
- blow
- blade
- blast

common consonant clusters - “ch” as in “change”

- chair
- change
- chocolate
- chill
- chase
- check
- children
- chop
- church
- choice

common consonant clusters - "gl" as in "glad"

- glad
- glee
- glum
- glue
- glow
- globe
- glitter
- Glass
- glance
- glaze

common consonant clusters - "gr" as in "grapes"

- grapes
- grand
- great
- green
- group
- grow
- grin
- grill
- ground
- grocery

common consonant clusters - "sl" as in "sleep"

- sleep
- slide
- slight
- slow
- slip
- slang
- slime
- slice
- sling
- slam

common consonant clusters - “sm” as in “small”

- smart
- small
- smell
- smile
- smash
- smoke
- smooth
- smirk

common consonant clusters - st" as in "stop"

- stop
- start
- step
- stick
- street
- store
- stomach
- stone
- steady
- student

common consonant clusters - "th" as in "thing"

- thing
- think
- thank
- this
- thorn
- thirst
- thirteen
- thread
- thump
- thud

common consonant clusters - "tw" as in "twice"

- twice
- twist
- twin
- twelve
- twenty
- twig
- twitch
- two
- twinkle
- twilight

practice sounds in English

<https://www.alps.academy/english-pronunciation-practice/>

/ɔɪ/ – as in “boy”

- boy
- toy
- joy
- coin
- noise
- voice
- choice
- enjoy
- join
- boil

/aɪ/ – as in “bike”

- bike
- like
- time
- fine
- five
- fly
- night
- high
- right
- sky

/ə/ – as in “sofa” (*start*)

- about
- alone
- among
- alive
- adore
- arrive
- aside
- abandon
- afford
- accuse

/ə/ – as in “sofa” (*end*)

- extra
- cinema
- drama
- data
- idea
- mama
- opera
- banana
- comma
- drama

Consonant Sounds in English

/m/ – as in “mat”

- map
- mom
- man
- mud
- mop

/n/ – as in “nut”

- nap
- net
- not
- nose
- nut

/p/ – as in “pat”

- pen
- pig
- pot
- pop
- pat

/t/ – as in “top”

- tip
- tap
- tom
- tent
- tan

What would you like to learn?

- reading practice exercises
- practice conversations
- pronunciation practice

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listening practice

Across the Universe

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cAe1IVDbLf0>

Words are flowing 1 _____ like endless rain 2 _____ a paper cup
They slither while they pass, they slip 3 _____ across the universe
Pools of sorrow waves of joy are drifting through my opened mind
Possessing and caressing me

non-English lyrics

Nothing's going change my world (x4)

Images of broken light which dance 4 _____ me like a million eyes
And call me on and on across the universe
Thoughts meander like a restless wind 5 _____ a letter box
They stumble blindly as they make their way 6 _____ the universe

non-English lyrics

Nothing's going change my world (x4)

Sounds of laughter shades of earth are ringing
7 _____ my open mind inciting and inviting me
Limitless undying love which shines 8 _____ me like a million suns
And calls me on and on across the universe

non-English lyrics

Nothing's going change my world (x8)

around

before

away

through

across

out

inside

into

prepositional phrases
example sentences

prepositions in sentences

Prepositions show us
where something is,
when it happens, or
how things are connected.

Like words that give directions or
provide information about the position of things.

prepositions in sentences

For example:

- **Location:** The cat is **on** the table.
 - Where is the cat? **On** the table.
- **Time:** We have class **at** 3 PM.
 - When is the class? **At** 3 PM.
- **Direction:** She walked **toward** the park.
 - Which way did she walk? **Toward** the park.
- **Connection:** I went to the store **with** my friends.
 - How did I go to the store? **With** my friends.

About: She is writing a book about her travels.

Above: The bird flew above the clouds.

Across: We walked across the bridge to get to the other side.

After: We went for ice cream after the movie.

Against: He leaned against the wall.

Along: They strolled along the beach at sunset.

Amid: The flowers bloomed amid the green grass.

Among: She found her keys among the papers on the desk.

Around: We sat around the campfire and told stories.

At: They met at the coffee shop.

Before: Finish your homework before you go to bed.

Behind: The car is parked behind the building.

Below: The treasure chest was hidden below the sand.

Beneath: The cat found shade beneath the tree.

Beside: He stood beside his best friend.

Between: The playground is between the school and the library.

Beyond: The mountains stretch beyond the horizon.

By: She sat by the window and enjoyed the view.

Despite: Despite the rain, we went for a walk.

Down: The ball rolled down the hill.

During: We sang songs during the concert.

For: They have been friends for many years.

From: I received a letter from my pen pal.

In: There is a cat in the box.

Inside: The cookies are inside the jar.

Into: He jumped into the pool.

Near: The grocery store is near the park.

Of: A cup of coffee is on the table.

Off: The cat jumped off the bed.

On: The keys are on the counter.

Onto: She climbed onto the roof.

Out: We played outside in the garden.

Outside: It's snowing outside.

Over: The plane flew over the mountains.

Past: We walked past the old building.

Through: We walked through the forest.

Throughout: She smiled throughout the entire presentation.

To: They went to the park.

Toward: We walked toward the city centre.

Under: The cat is hiding under the bed.

Underneath: The treasure is underneath the rock.

Until: They stayed up until midnight.

Up: She climbed up the stairs.

Upon: The cat perched upon the roof.

With: I went to the party with my friends.

Within: The answer is within the book.

Without: He managed without any help.

prepositional phrases exercises

Exercise 2: complete the prepositional phrase

use the website to look up the prepositional phrase:
<https://www.alps.academy/prepositional-phrase-examples/>

1. _____ the airport

at the airport

2. _____ the living room

3. _____ the lines

4. _____ the cinema

5. _____ the tree

6. _____ my family

7. _____ the river

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1. _____ at _____ the airport
2. _____ in _____ the living room
3. _____ between _____ the lines
4. _____ at _____ the cinema
5. _____ under _____ the tree
6. _____ with _____ my family
7. _____ beside _____ the river

at the airport

Exercise 3: order the sentences that finish with the prepositional phrase

1. the / desk / sitting / at / is / she
2. the / the / blooming / garden / are / flowers / in
3. the / meet / we / fountain / will / by
4. into / the / jumped / he / pool
5. the / under / table / is / hiding / the / cat
6. found / on / my / chair / jacket / I / the
7. the / river / along / walked / they

she is sitting at the desk

Exercise 3: order the sentences that finish with the prepositional phrase

1. She is sitting **at the desk**.
2. The flowers are blooming **in the garden**.
3. We will meet **by the fountain**.
4. He jumped **into the pool**.
5. The cat is hiding **under the table**.
6. I found my jacket **on the chair**.
7. They walked **along the river**.

Exercise 4: create sentences with the verbs and prepositional phrases

walk	sing (songs)	meet	play (games)
find (glasses)	(keys) is	arrive	

1. We _____ outside the house. (past)
2. The _____ on the kitchen counter. (present)
3. They _____ at the coffee shop. (past)
4. I _____ under the sofa. (past)
5. We _____ during the concert. (past)
6. He _____ along the path. (past)
7. She _____ at the airport. (future)

Exercise 3: create sentences with the prepositional phrases

1. We played games outside the house.
2. The keys are on the kitchen counter.
3. They met at the coffee shop.
4. I found my glasses under the sofa.
5. We sang songs during the concert.
6. He walked along the path.
7. She will arrive at the airport.



Thank you!
any questions?