

Prepositional Phrases

A preposition is a word that shows the relationship of one word to another word in the sentence.

Examples: **prepositions** show a relationship of a **word** to *another word in the sentence*. Put the *milk* **in** the *fridge* before it spoils.

There is a *monster* **under** the *bed*.

Anthony walked **to** *school*.

A prepositional phrase is a group of words that includes the preposition and the object of the preposition – the words that are being linked to the sentence by the preposition.

In the first example, the prepositional phrase is **in the fridge**. The preposition is **in** and the object of the preposition is **the fridge**. In the sentence, the preposition **in** tells us where the milk (subject of the sentence) should go.

In the second example, the prepositional phrase is **under the bed**. The preposition is **under** and the object of the preposition is **the bed**. In the sentence, the preposition **under** tells us where the monster (subject of the sentence) is.

In the third example, the prepositional phrase is **to school**. The preposition is **to** and the object of the preposition is **school**. In the sentence, the preposition **to** tells us where Anthony (subject of the sentence) went. As we can see in this example, a prepositional phrase does not always include an article.

Other examples of prepositional phrases without articles:

- beside you
- with my friend
- under Kayla's shoes

To help you, here is a list of commonly used prepositions:

about	against	at	between	from	of	through	under
above	among	behind	by	in	on	to	upon
across	around	beside	for	into	over	toward	with

A. Write the prepositional phrase on the line provided next to the sentence.

1. I have faith when you are beside me. _____
2. Harry Potter slept in the broom closet. _____
3. She felt like a sheep among wolves. _____

4. Harriet bought a ticket to Hawaii. _____
5. The Phantom of the Opera is the first musical I ever saw.

6. I hate when I have broccoli stuck in my teeth. _____
7. Have you ever felt like there was someone walking behind you when you knew you were alone? _____
8. It's the most wonderful time of the year. _____
9. Greg's dream has always been making it in the big leagues.

10. I'd love to have dinner with you. _____

B. Add a prepositional phrase to each of the sentences below. Before you click "Finish", come and see me so I can check your work.

1. _____, there is often a love story.
2. The bare trees shake their frozen branches _____.
3. Yesterday, Anne went to the movies _____.
4. The students never saw the zombies _____.
5. Leia is going on vacation _____.
6. When we were outside, we talked _____.
7. The dog slept _____.
8. My father has driven _____ three times.