

PREPOSITIONS WORKSHEET

IN • INTO • ON • ONTO

Location vs. Movement

Name: _____

Date: _____

Score: _____

GRAMMAR REFERENCE

IN location **INSIDE** something

ON location **ON** a surface

INTO movement from **OUTSIDE** to **INSIDE**

ONTO movement toward a **SURFACE**

KEY RULE: Use **IN** / **ON** for **LOCATION**

| Use **INTO** / **ONTO** for **MOVEMENT** (direction / destination)

Examples: The cat is **in** the box. | She walked **into** the room. | The book is **on** the table. | He jumped **onto** the stage.

EXERCISE 1 – Multiple Choice (8 points)

Choose the best option (A, B, C, or D) and write the letter in the Answer column.

#	Sentence	Options	Answer
1.	The keys are ____ my bag.	A) in B) into C) on D) onto	____
2.	She dived ____ the swimming pool.	A) in B) into C) on D) onto	____
3.	Please put your phone ____ the table.	A) in B) into C) on D) onto	____
4.	The cat jumped ____ the sofa.	A) in B) into C) on D) onto	____
5.	He is sitting ____ the garden.	A) in B) into C) on D) onto	____
6.	The children ran ____ the house to escape the rain.	A) in B) into C) on D) onto	____
7.	There is a beautiful painting ____ the wall.	A) in B) into C) on D) onto	____
8.	The monkey climbed ____ the branch.	A) in B) into C) on D) onto	____

EXERCISE 2 – Fill in the Blanks (10 points)

Fill in each blank with *in*, *into*, *on*, or *onto*. Use each preposition at least twice.

1. She poured the juice _____ the glass.
2. The dog is lying _____ the floor next to the sofa.
3. He carefully placed the vase _____ the shelf.
4. They walked _____ the elevator and pressed the button.
5. My phone is _____ my pocket.
6. The firefighter climbed _____ the roof to rescue the cat.
7. All the students are _____ the classroom already.
8. The soccer ball rolled _____ the net.
9. She spread the map _____ the table to plan the route.
10. He dipped his brush _____ the paint.

EXERCISE 3 – Matching (8 points)

Match each sentence in Column A with the correct preposition and explanation in Column B. Write the letter in the middle column.

Column A – Sentences	Match	Column B – Preposition + Reason
1. The bird flew ___ the cage.	—	a. onto (surface – flat area)
2. The newspaper is ___ the doorstep.	—	b. on (touching a surface)
3. She stepped ___ the puddle accidentally.	—	c. into (enclosed space / container)
4. The documents are ___ the drawer.	—	d. in (location inside a space)

5. He threw the ball ___ the basket.	—	e. onto (surface – overhead / vertical)
6. The fly landed ___ the ceiling.	—	f. into (movement through / inside)
7. We drove ___ the tunnel.	—	g. onto (movement toward a surface / top)
8. She spilled coffee ___ her laptop.	—	h. on (flat surface – horizontal)

EXERCISE 4 – Write Your Own Sentences (12 points)

Write an original sentence for each preposition. Use the hint to help you. Be creative!

Preposition	Writing Prompt	Write Your Sentence Here
IN	Think of a LOCATION inside something (room, bag, city, park...)	
ON	Think of a SURFACE (table, wall, bus, floor, phone screen...)	
INTO	Describe movement from OUTSIDE to INSIDE (walked, fell, jumped, poured...)	
ONTO	Describe movement toward a SURFACE (climbed, stepped, placed, threw...)	

IN & ON	Use BOTH in one sentence to describe two locations.	
INTO & ONTO	Describe two movements using INTO and ONTO in the same sentence.	

Total: ____ / 38 points