

Year 6 Grammar Revision

Prepositions



Prepositions of Location: The Rules

Prepositions are used to show the **location**, **time** or **movement** of nouns or pronouns.

Prepositions of **location** show the **place** or **position** of a noun or pronoun
e.g.

The tools were **inside** the garden shed.

Behind the cloud, the sun peeped.

Harry sat **under** the shady tree.



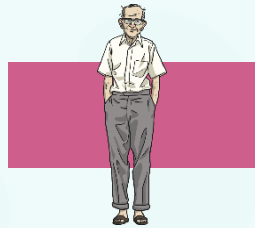
Prepositions of Location: The Rules

There are many prepositions of **location**. Here are a few of the most commonly used ones:

beside



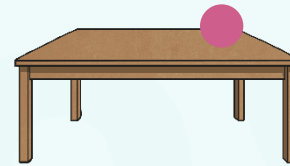
in front of



near



above



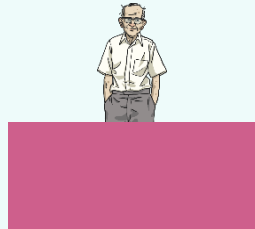
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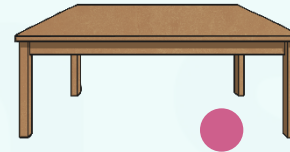
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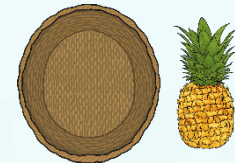
far



below



outside



Prepositions of Time: The Rules

Some prepositions show **time**. The three most commonly used time prepositions are **at**, **on** and **in**.

At the weekend, I am going to the cinema.

I go to swimming lessons **on** Thursdays.

Leaves turn brown **in** the Autumn.



Prepositions of Time: The Rules

There are many more prepositions that show and signal time...

before

since

until

by

before

during

as

past

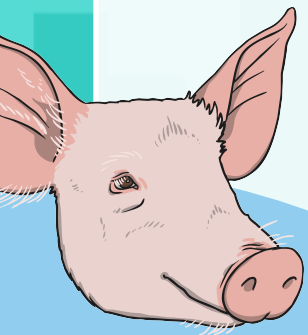
Prepositions of Movement: The Rules

Other prepositions can show movement or direction.

Yasmin zoomed **down** the slide.

The pig jumped **into** the pond.

Ben reluctantly got **out of** bed.



Prepositions of Cause: The Rules

Other prepositions can tell us about how something is caused by something else.

Due to the loud noise, Joy covered her ears.

The match was cancelled **because of** the weather.

Kyle was admitted to hospital **as a result** of his blood test results.

Prepositions: The Tricky Bits

Some prepositions can also be **subordinating conjunctions**.

after

before

until

as

since

Since she won the contest, Vicky had become famous.
In this example 'since' is used as a subordinating conjunction to form a subordinate clause.

I haven't had a shower **since** Tuesday.

In this example 'since' is used as a preposition.

This can be very confusing! If the word is used **within a clause that contains a subject and a verb**, then it is usually being used as a **subordinating conjunction**.

Quiz! Part 1

Underline the **prepositions** in the following sentences.

1. The children giggled through the puppet show.
2. Under the bridge, the troll hid and waited.
3. Linda felt dizzy because of the heat.
4. The ramblers climbed over the fence.
5. Gina lives next to the fruit shop.



Quiz! Part 2

Tick all the sentences that contain a **preposition**.

1. We played football in the garden.



2. Before lunch, Class 11 had PE.



3. Frosty the Snowman had a carrot nose.



4. I've been working at the restaurant for a month.



Quiz! Part 3

Put a tick in each row to show whether **after** is being used as a **preposition** or a **subordinating conjunction**.

	Preposition	Subordinating Conjunction
After Brian left the band, he decided to go solo.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Baby giraffes begin to walk shortly after birth.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I will start at a new school after the holidays.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Are you feeling
confident with
prepositions?**

