

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.



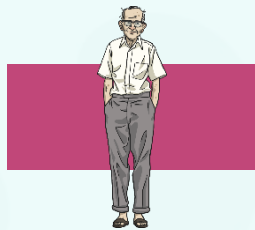
Prepositions of Location: The Rules

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

beside



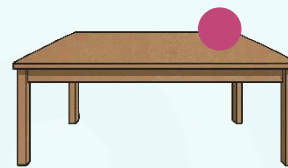
in front of



near



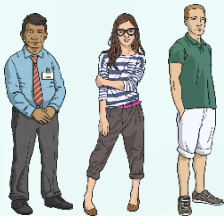
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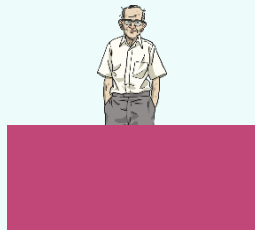
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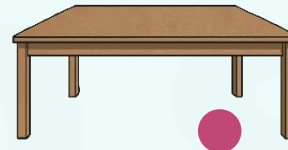
behind



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

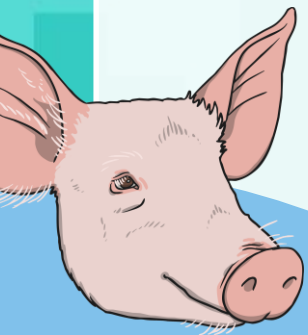
Prepositions of Movement: The Rules

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: The Tricky Bits

Some prepositions can also be subordinating conjunctions.

after

before

until

as

since

Since winning 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 phrase 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. I am going to Lapland before Christmas.
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?*

