

17.4**Prepositions • Practice 1**

Prepositions A preposition is a word that relates a noun or pronoun that appears with it to another word in the sentence.

FREQUENTLY USED PREPOSITIONS			
about	between	in	over
across	by	into	to
at	before	near	through
among	for	of	under
below	from	on	with

A prepositional phrase begins with a preposition and ends with a noun or pronoun called the object of the preposition.

PREPOSITIONAL PHRASE	
Prepositions	Objects of Prepositions
<i>with</i>	<i>my friends</i>
<i>between</i>	<i>us</i>
<i>next to</i>	<i>the old building</i>

Exercise 1

Identifying Prepositions. Underline each preposition in the sentences below. Some sentences have more than one.

EXAMPLE: In the morning they traveled to the city.

1. She asked for passes to the football game.
2. This agreement is strictly between you and me.
3. They arrived from Spain about ten in the evening.
4. Over the hill is a gas station with a restroom.
5. We spoke for hours about our class reunion.
6. The price of this stereo is below our regular discount price.
7. Go through the corridor into the other building.
8. With great joy, we walked across the stage.
9. I received a special award from the coach.
10. Your hat is under the mirror near the umbrella.

Exercise 2

Identifying Prepositional Phrases. In each sentence place parentheses around each prepositional phrase. Some sentences have more than one.

EXAMPLE: (At dawn) we drove (to the agricultural fair).

1. The room in the attic is filled with old furniture.
2. The card shop is not far from the park.
3. The cave paintings at Lascaux were discovered in 1940.
4. Near the hotel, you will find a group of craft shops.
5. There are no secrets between Sally and me.
6. I walked through the town in an hour and a half.
7. For years, the author waited for a letter from her son.
8. A group of travelers arrived by air.
9. In high school, I studied the flute with Mr. Poole.
10. They drove through the night to the next town.