

## Prepositional Phrases II

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A **preposition** connects a noun or pronoun to another word in the sentence, showing the relationship between them. Prepositions usually answer the questions **where?** or **when?**, telling about a person or object's location in either time or space. The preposition usually introduces a phrase that has several parts: the preposition itself, an article (like *a*, *an*, or *the*), and a noun which is called the **object** of the preposition. Sometimes, there may be a possessive noun or pronoun, like *his*, *their*, *our*, or *Stanley's*, instead of the article. There may also be adverbs or adjectives mixed in.



### Sylvia's homework was in her purple backpack.

The prepositional phrase in her brother's backpack tells where her homework is.  
The word in is the preposition.  
The word her is a possessive pronoun.  
The word purple is an adjective describing the backpack.  
The word backpack is the object of the preposition.

**Underline the prepositional phrase in each sentence. Circle the preposition.**

- 1) My grandparents enjoyed boating on the beautiful lake.
- 2) Spiders do not usually build webs while people are watching.
- 3) Dancing on a public stage can be a frightening experience!
- 4) The high-definition television fell off the crowded moving van.
- 5) My soccer team played well during the championship tournament.
- 6) Sandwiched between the canned goods and the milk, the bread was crushed.
- 7) The summer sun burned the tourists while they napped.
- 8) My favorite restaurant is next to the enormous shoe store.