

# Aim

- To identify prepositional phrases and adverbial phrases
- To distinguish between adverbial and noun phrases.



# Prepositions

- A preposition is a word that indicates place or direction.  
**Examples:** across, into, between, above, beyond, towards, behind, over.
- Prepositions describe the relationship between the subject of a sentence and another object.  
**For example:** The apple was under the table.  
The glider flew through the air.  
The boy walked towards the school.

Which of the following words are **prepositions**?

in

to

house

location

travel

walk

inside

tomorrow

visit

mountain

beside

later

journey

upon

off

during

# Prepositional Phrases

- A prepositional phrase includes the object that the preposition in a sentence is referring to and any other words that link it to the preposition.  
For example: He hid *beneath the duvet*.
- A prepositional phrase usually includes a preposition, a noun or pronoun and may include an adjective. IT DOES NOT INCLUDE THE VERB!

Can you pick out the **prepositional phrases** from these sentences?

The general ordered the troops to retreat **to the valley**.

Jules was delighted to find a present **inside the egg**.

Mike didn't think he could run **up the hill**.

Where could it be? It wasn't **in the box** and it wasn't **round the back**.

When the siren sounded they all set off **into the ancient woods**.

# Prepositional Phrases

How many prepositional phrases can you make using these prepositions and objects. Can you make any interesting ones?

down  
above  
among  
before  
under  
concerning  
between  
inside  
towards  
along

during  
beyond  
amid  
until  
over  
between  
to  
against  
beside

crow  
cow  
chocolate  
song  
tiger  
knife  
hamster  
carrots  
tune  
fridge

computer  
hill  
whale  
dawn  
trees  
cave  
mystery  
stadium  
beach

