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# Prepositions

A **preposition** is the first word in a group of words called a prepositional phrase. A **prepositional phrase** ends with a noun or pronoun called the **object of the preposition**. A prepositional phrase tells more about other words in a sentence.

<b>Preposition</b>	The eagle flew <u>in</u> a circle.
<b>Prepositional Phrase</b>	The eagle flew <u>in a circle</u> .
<b>Object of Preposition</b>	The eagle flew in a <u>circle</u> .

## Common Prepositions

Here are some prepositions: *about, above, across, after, against, along, among, around, at, before, behind, below, beneath, beside, between, beyond, by, down, during, except, for, from, in, inside, into, near, of, off, on, onto, out, outside, over, past, since, through, throughout, to, toward, under, underneath, until, up, upon, with, within, without.*

**Directions** Write the preposition in each sentence.

1. Our class read a book about eagles. \_\_\_\_\_
2. Bald eagles live in the United States. \_\_\_\_\_
3. Bald eagles can grab fish from the water. \_\_\_\_\_
4. The bald eagle population decreased during the 1970s. \_\_\_\_\_

**Directions** Write the prepositional phrase in each sentence. Underline the preposition.

5. Another eagle within the United States is the golden eagle.  
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6. Golden eagles have golden brown feathers on their necks.  
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**Home Activity** Your child learned about prepositions. With your child, look at ads. Have your child identify five prepositional phrases.

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**Directions** Add a prepositional phrase to each sentence to make it more specific. Use a prepositional phrase from the box or a prepositional phrase of your own.

through the air

at the national park

on their tails

at the library

in the lake

on high cliffs

1. We saw eagles.

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2. The eagles had white feathers.

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3. They glided.

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4. The eagles built nests.

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5. The eagles hunted fish.

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6. We will study eagles.

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**Directions** Write two sentences about seeing wildlife. Use at least two prepositional phrases. Underline the prepositional phrases.

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**Home Activity** Your child learned how to use prepositions in writing. Have your child write a sentence about a bird that includes a prepositional phrase. Ask your child to point to the prepositional phrase, the preposition, and the object of the preposition.

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**Directions** Mark the letter of the word in each sentence that is a preposition.

- Eagles live throughout the world.  
A the  
B throughout  
C world  
D live
- They build their nests on treetops.  
A build  
B their  
C nests  
D on
- The eagles fly around the lake.  
A around  
B the  
C lake  
D fly
- Eagles eagerly swoop for prey.  
A swoop  
B for  
C prey  
D eagerly
- They spot prey from the air.  
A spot  
B the  
C from  
D air
- They have wings of an unusual size.  
A an  
B of  
C have  
D wings
- They dive quickly to the ground.  
A dive  
B ground  
C the  
D to
- Eagles hunt during the day.  
A during  
B hunt  
C day  
D the
- They rest at night.  
A they  
B rest  
C at  
D night
- Facts about eagles interest me.  
A interest  
B me  
C about  
D eagles



**Home Activity** Your child prepared for taking tests on prepositions. Look through a cookbook with your child. Ask him or her to find three prepositional phrases in a recipe and identify the preposition in each one.

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**Directions** Write the prepositional phrase in each sentence. Underline the preposition.

1. A chicken has a comb on its head.

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2. The comb is located above the beak.

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3. Each type of chicken has a different comb.

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4. The one with the zigzag comb is a White Leghorn rooster.

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**Directions** Choose the preposition in ( ) that makes sense in each sentence. Write the sentence.

5. Chickens and eagles are different \_\_\_\_ one another. (above, from)

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6. Chickens fly only \_\_\_\_ short distances. (for, below)

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7. Eagles can soar high \_\_\_\_ the sky. (off, in)

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8. Chickens often live \_\_\_\_ farms. (on, out)

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**Home Activity** Your child reviewed prepositions. Ask your child to use sentences with prepositional phrases to answer these questions: *Where do you do your homework? When do you do your homework?*