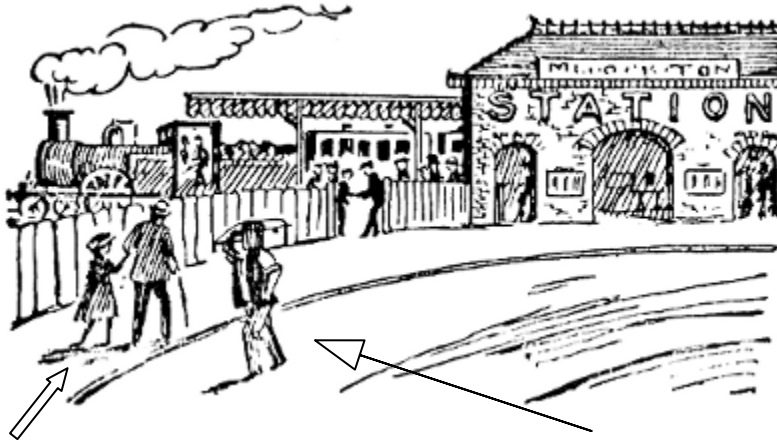




● Prepositions of Place 1

Notice how the following prepositions show the relationship between a person or thing and a place.



They are walking to the train station.

He is walking home from the train station.



John is sitting in the chair.

Tom is sitting on the table.

Mary is standing beside the table.



They are sitting around the table.

They are eating at a party.

The dog is lying near the table.

Directions: fill in the spaces with the correct preposition

- 1) They went to the party. (at, to)
- 2) The plates are _____ the table. (in, on)
- 3) He walked _____ the park. (for, to)
- 4) I am driving home _____ the bank. (at, from)
- 5) Keep the dog _____ the furniture! (in, off)
- 6) The people are _____ a party. (in, at)
- 7) John is sitting _____ a chair. (in, on)
- 8) Mary is sitting _____ John. (at, near)
- 9) The man is sitting _____ the woman. (beside, to)
- 10) Their feet are _____ the table. (through, under)
- 11) The guests are sitting _____ the table. (at, above)
- 12) The dog is lying _____ the floor. (at, on)

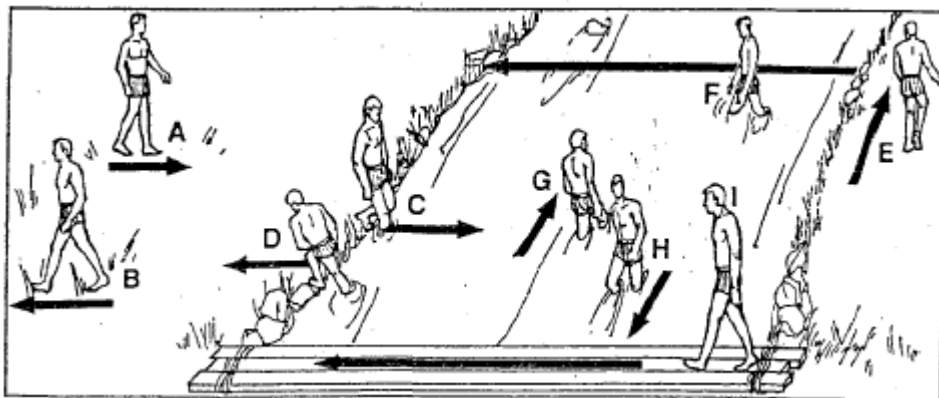


Directions: use the picture to fill in the spaces with the correct preposition

- 1) The cat is by the towel. (behind, by)
- 2) The toilet is next to the sink. (next to, below)
- 3) The shampoo is beside the conditioner. (beside, among)
- 4) The soap is among the things on the shelf. (among, above)
- 5) The books are above the soap. (above, under)
- 6) The soap is below the books. (above, below)
- 7) The toilet paper is beside the toilet. (below, beside)
- 8) The toilet cleaner is in front of the toilet. (in front of, behind)
- 9) The cat is near the shower. (near, far from)
- 10) The mirror is in front of the sink. (above, in front of)
- 11) The cat is on the floor. (around, on)
- 12) The towel is under the sink. (under, next to)
- 13) The sink is between the toilet and the towel. (in front of, between)

Notice how the following prepositions show the direction or movement of a person in a place.

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| A. He is walking <u>toward</u> the stream. | E. He is walking <u>along</u> the stream. |
| B. He is walking <u>away from</u> the stream. | F. He is walking <u>through</u> the stream. |
| C. He walked <u>into</u> the stream. | G. He is walking <u>up</u> the stream. |
| D. He walked <u>out of</u> the stream. | H. He is walking <u>down</u> the stream. |
| | I. He is walking <u>across</u> the stream. |

Directions: fill in the spaces with the correct preposition

- 1) Please put the pot on the stove. (on, up)
- 2) There is a bus stop in front of the post office. (in front of, to)
- 3) Can you go to the bank this afternoon? (at, to)
- 4) My wallet is in my pocket. (between, in)
- 5) She put the letter between the two books. (between, in)
- 6) The river is flowing under the bridge. (through, under)
- 7) May I hang my coat on top of his? (between, on top of)
- 8) The children are running away from us. (away from, through)
- 9) Who's that man walking toward the house? (at, toward)
- 10) Would you like to walk through the park? (on, through)
- 11) You can read books at the library. (at, on)
- 12) I was walking across the door when you called. (across, out)
- 13) The sink is below the mirror. (at, below)
- 14) They ran up the hill. (in, up)
- 15) The picture is above the sofa. (above, among)
- 16) The bank is across the street. (across, through)
- 17) They walked down the road. (down, out)
- 18) We came here from the doctor's office. (at, from)
- 19) Get the dog off the kitchen table! (off, on)
- 20) There is a lamp hanging over the dining room table. (over, under)
- 21) We ran into the house. (into, up)
- 22) The table is beside the bed. (beside, through)
- 23) Your letter is among the things on my desk. (among, between)
- 24) There's a mouse behind the refrigerator. (across, behind)
- 25) My shoes are in the closet. (in, on)
- 26) The dresser is at the mirror. (at, below)
- 27) The necklace is around my neck. (around, at)
- 28) There's a man sitting on the bus. (in, on)