

CHAPTER-IST **PREPOSITION(INTRODUCTION)**

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PREPOSITIONS





WHAT ARE PREPOSITIONS?





Preposition

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position

“A preposition precedes a noun(or a pronoun) to show noun’s(or the pronoun’s) relationship to another word in the sentence”.

- Prepositions are connecting words/bridge words.
- They show relationship.



CONFUSED?

Let's take an example !





The dog is.....my bed.

In the above sentence there is a gap, we need a word to connect the noun “bed” to rest of the sentence. So a preposition fits in and the best preposition would be “on”.

The dog is on my bed.

- Preposition is “on”.
- It precedes the noun “bed”.
- It shows the relationship between “dog” and “bed”(where the dog is).

Prepositions can also appear at the beginning of the sentence but their function remains the same.

Outside the window the birds are singing.

- Preposition is “Outside”.
- It precedes the noun “window”.
- It shows the relationship between “birds” and “window”(where the birds are singing).



Object of preposition

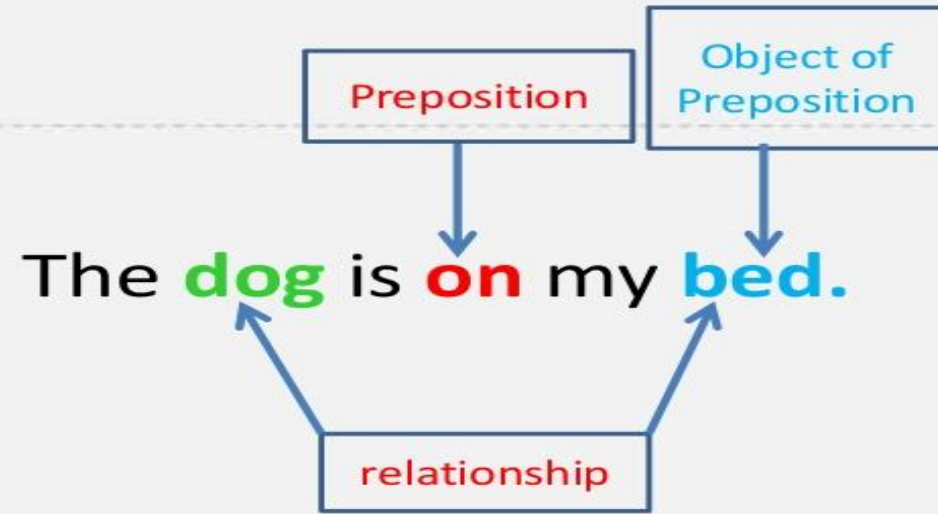
“The noun that comes after the preposition is called object of preposition.”

The dog is on my *bed*.

- Preposition is “on”.
- Object of preposition is “bed”.

The cow jumped over the *moon*.

- Preposition is “over”.
- Object of preposition is “moon”.



- Preposition “on” is defining the relationship between “dog” and “bed”.
- The preposition shows “where” the dog is.



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PREPOSITIONS

according to

FUNCTIONALITY

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Prepositions of Place

Some prepositions show where something happens. They are called **prepositions of place**.

- The apple is **on** the table.
- Ria enjoys skating **around** the lake.
- The cat is **under** the table.
- Some geese flew **over** their house.
- John and Sarah were hiding **inside** the wardrobe.
- There was a tree **beside** the river.
- I am **behind** the door.
- Clothes are **in** the bucket.



Prepositions of Time

Some prepositions show when something happens. They are called **prepositions of time**.

- School starts **at** nine o'clock.
- We're going to the zoo **on** Saturday.
- I visited my grandparents **during** the summer.
- You must finish the work **by** Friday.



Prepositions of Direction

Some prepositions show where something is going. They are called **prepositions of direction**.

- The boys chased **after** each other.
- The football rolled **down** the hill.
- A man was walking his dog **along** the riverbank.
- The freeway goes right **through** the city.
- We were travelling **towards** Miami



Prepositions of Agent or Instrument

These prepositions indicate that an action conducted on a noun is caused by another noun. They are called **prepositions of Agent**.

- Ramayana was written **by** Valmiki .
- She was hit **by** a car while she was going to school.
- She graduated **with** an honors degree.
- I opened my closet **with** a key.
- She came to the school **by** car.



Prepositions of Purpose and Source

These include **for** and **from** respectively.

For expresses purpose, reason, cause.

From expresses origination.

- He goes **for** a walk
- I read **for** pleasure
- He got a prize **for** bravery.
- I had to suffer **for** your behavior
- The earth receives light **from** the sun.
- He did the help **from** gratitude.



Prepositions of Measure or possession - of

Preposition **of** can be used to quantify a noun, indicate that one noun owns another noun, show the material with which something is made.

- I need a pound **of** cheese.
- One third **of** the students were present in the class.
- He is a man **of** wealth.
- She is the daughter **of** a rich man.
- The pen is made **of** wood.
- The dress is made **of** silk.



CONGRATULATIONS!

You just learned

TYPES OF PREPOSITIONS

on the

BASIS OF FUNCTIONALITY

_____ the house lies a beautiful garden



The owl sat _____ a banyan tree

I never leave my house _____ an umbrella
due to the uncertain weather





But remember,

There is no hard and fast rule.

*Prepositions need to be learned in context with the
other words they are used with,*



THANK YOU

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HAPPY LEARNING

