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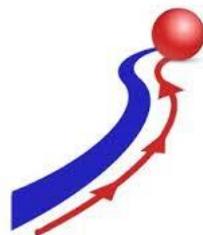
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along



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PREPOSITIONS



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- Prepositions are words governing nouns , noun phrases or pronouns.

Pre + positions
(before places)



- They are placed before nouns or noun phrases.

❖ The people



the bus

The people in the bus

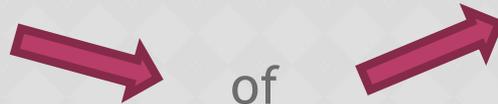
❖ A bill



the shopkeeper

A bill from the shopkeeper

❖ A friend



Ann

A friend of Ann

- They are placed before pronouns.



| Subject Pronouns | Object Pronouns |
|------------------|-----------------|
| I | me |
| We | us |
| You | You |
| They | Them |
| He | Him |
| She | Her |
| it | it |

❖ Teachers



of



them

Some important prepositions which are commonly appeared in the test paper.

○ At

- At is used for expressing position of something.
 - at the top of the hill.
 - at the back of the class.
 - at a distance.
 - Water boils at 100 °C
- At is used for expressing time.
 - We left home at 4.30 in the morning.
 - I usually read news papers at night.
- At is used to indicate the value or rate.
 - Nimal sells vegetables at low rates.



○ Along

- Along expresses the state . It means beside or through.
 - She walked along the road.
 - It rained all along from the beginning of the match.



○ Among

- Among means in the category or with in the number of things.
 - Teacher divided the papers among the students in the class.

○ By

- By indicates near or beside.
 - She came and sat by me.
 - I got it by my brother.
- By indicates the time mentioned.
 - Come by 8.00 o'clock.
 - She completed her work by 10.00 o'clock last night.

○ For

- For means in defence, support or favour of
 - They are ready for dinner.
 - He did the work for money.
- For means in spite of
 - For all his boasting, he is a good person.



○ From

- From is used for expressing separation or origin followed by person , place , time , etc.
 - She comes from London.
 - Dinner is served from 8.00 o'clock.
- Expressing reason or cause.
 - An orphan child died from hunger.



○ In

- In is used for expressing inclusion or position.
 - The book is in the 2nd cupboard.
- In indicates longer period.
 - Some birds migrate in winter.
 - Mala was born in 1997.
 - The army won the battle in the end.
- In shows ability.
 - Amali is fluent in English.



○ Intro

- Intro indicates the motion to a place.
 - Fathima slowly moved into her room.
 - She got into the car and drove away.



○ On

- On indicates supported by or attached to.
 - Charts are hanged on the wall.
 - He fell on his knees.
- On shows the time-during exactly at
 - Some shops are closed on Mondays.
 - Siripala was arrested on suspicion.



○ Of

- Of is used to express origin or cause
 - She died of a cancer.
- Of expresses belonging or connection.
 - People of Sri Lanka.
- Of expresses the direction or respect.
 - North of the country.
 - Beware of dogs.
- Of expresses the partition or classification
 - Part of the story.

○ To



- To indicates nearly close position.
 - They come to school in the morning.
 - There are five minutes to ten.
- To is used in expressing considered or affected.
 - I am used to get up at 4.00 o'clock in the morning.
- To is used in expressing consequence or cause.
 - We eat to live.
 - I am sorry to hear.

○ Towards

- Towards shows the direction
 - They walked towards the house.
- It shows the regards or relation
 - John Donne expresses his feelings towards death in his poems.



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Q1. Fill in the blanks in the following text using the prepositions given in the box. Use each preposition only once. There is one preposition extra.

Of towards along on to in

Two young employees who were recruited recently were arguing (1).....the office when their boss walked (2) them. The boss asked, “Why are you arguing?” One employee answered, “There was a hundred rupee note (3) this table and we decided to give it to the one who tells the biggest lie.” “You should be ashamed (4) yourselves,” said the boss, “When I was at your age, I didn’t even know what a lie was.” Immediately, the two employees gave the hundred rupee note (5) the boss.

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Q1. Fill in each blank with a suitable **preposition** from the list given below. Use each preposition only **once**. There is one preposition extra.

In on at to from among

A travelling salesman visiting a large business office boasted (1) the manager that he could pick out all the married men (2) the employees. Accordingly, he stood (3) the door as the employees returned (4) lunch and identified all those he believed to be married. In almost every case he was right.

“How do you do it?” asked the manager.

The travelling salesman replied, “ the married men wipe their feet (5) the doormat; the single ones don’t!”

100 Prepositions List



1. Abroad
2. About
3. Above
4. According to
5. Across
6. After
7. Against
8. Ago
9. Ahead of
10. Along
11. Amidst
12. Among
13. Amongst
14. Apart
15. Around
16. As
17. As far as
18. As well as
19. Aside
20. At
21. Away
22. Barring
23. Because of
24. Before
25. Behind
26. Below
27. Beneath
28. Beside
29. Besides
30. Between
31. Beyond
32. But
33. By

34. By means of
35. Circa
36. Concerning
37. Despite
38. Down
39. Due to
40. During
41. In
42. In accordance with
43. In addition to
44. In case of
45. In front of
46. In lieu of
47. In place of
48. In spite of
49. In to
50. Inside
51. Instead of
52. Into
53. Except
54. Except for
55. Excluding
56. For
57. Following
58. From
59. Hence
60. Like
61. Minus
62. Near
63. Next
64. Next to
65. Past
66. Per

67. Prior to
68. Round
69. Off
70. On
71. On account of
72. On behalf of
73. On to
74. On top of
75. Onto
76. Opposite
77. Out
78. Out from
79. Out of
80. Outside
81. Over
82. Owing to
83. Than
84. Through
85. Throughout
86. Till
87. Times
88. To
89. Toward
90. Towards
91. Under
92. Underneath
93. Unlike
94. Until
95. Unto
96. Up
97. Upon
98. Via
99. With
100. Within



THANK YOU!