

About –

1. On the subject of; concerning. “I was thinking about you.”

Above –

1. In extended space over and not touching. “A display of fireworks above the town.”
2. At a higher level or layer than. “Bruises above both eyes.”
3. Higher than (a specified amount, rate, or norm). “Above average.”

Across –

1. From one side to the other of (something).

After –

1. During the period of time following (an event). “Shortly after Christmas.”

Against –

1. In opposition to. “The fight against crime.” Synonyms: opposed to, in opposition to, hostile to, averse to, antagonistic toward, inimical to, unsympathetic to, resistant to, at odds with, in disagreement with, dead set against, anti
2. In anticipation of and preparation for (a problem or difficulty). “Insurance against sickness and unemployment.”
3. In conceptual contrast to. “The benefits must be weighed against the costs.”
4. In or into physical contact with (something), typically so as to be supported by or collide with it. “She stood with her back against the door.” Synonyms: touching, in contact with, up against, on, adjacent to

Along –

1. Moving in a constant direction on (a path or any more or less horizontal surface). “Soon we were driving along a narrow road.” Synonyms: onward, on, ahead, forward, forth; down, from one end of — to the other



2. Extending in a more or less horizontal line on. "Cars were parked along the grass border." Synonyms: beside, by the side of, on the edge of, alongside

Amid –

1. Surrounded by; in the middle of. "Our dream home, set amid magnificent rolling countryside." Synonyms: in the middle of, surrounded by, among, amongst, amidst,

Among –

1. Surrounded by; in the company of. "Wild strawberries hidden among the roots of the trees." Synonyms: surrounded by, in the company of, amid, in the middle of, with, amidst, in the midst of
2. Being a member or members of (a larger set). "He was among the first 29 students enrolled." Synonyms: included in, one/some of, in the group/number of
3. Occurring in or practiced by (some members of a community). "A drop in tooth decay among children."
4. Indicating a division, choice, or differentiation involving three or more participants. "The king called the three princesses to divide his kingdom among them." Synonyms: between, to each of

Around –

1. On every side of. "The palazzo is built around a courtyard." Synonyms: on all sides of, about, encircling, surrounding, enclosing
2. In or to many places throughout (a community or locality). "Cycling around the village." Synonyms: about, all over, in/to all parts of
3. So as to encircle or embrace (someone or something). "He put his arm around her."

As –

1. Used to refer to the function or character that someone or something has. "He got a job as a cook." Synonyms: like, in the guise of, so as to appear to be; in the role of, being



At –

1. Expressing location or arrival in a particular place or position. “They live at Conway House.”

Before –

1. During the period of time preceding (a particular event, date, or time). “She had to rest before dinner.” Synonyms: previously, before now/then, until now/then, up to now/then, earlier, formerly, hitherto, in the past, in days gone by, heretofore; prior to, previous to, earlier than, preparatory to, in preparation for, preliminary to, in anticipation of, in expectation of, in advance of, ahead of, leading up to, on the eve of, anterior to
2. In front of. “Matilda stood before her, panting.”
3. In preference to; with a higher priority than. “A woman who placed duty before all else.” Synonyms: in preference to, rather than, sooner than

Behind –

1. At or to the far side of (something), typically so as to be hidden by it. “The recording machinery was kept behind screens.” Synonyms: at the back/rear of, beyond, on the far/other side of, in back of

Below –

1. Extending underneath. “The tunnel below the crags.” Synonyms: beneath, under, underneath, further down than, lower than
2. At a lower level or layer than. “Just below the pocket was a stain.”
3. Lower than (a specified amount, rate, or norm). “Below average.” Synonyms: less than, lower than, under, not as much as, smaller than

Beneath –

1. Extending or directly underneath, typically with close contact. “In the labyrinths beneath central Moscow.”
2. At a lower level or layer than. “Beneath this floor there's a cellar.”

Beside –

1. At the side of; next to. “He sat beside me in the front seat.” Synonyms: alongside, by/at the side of, next to, parallel to, abreast of, at someone's elbow, adjacent to, next door to, cheek by jowl with, bordering, abutting, neighboring
2. In addition to; apart from. “He commissioned work from other artists beside Rivera.”

Between –

1. At, into, or across the space separating (two objects or regions). “The border between Mexico and the United States.” Synonyms: in the space separating, in the middle of, with one on either side, amid, amidst, betwixt
2. In the period separating (two points in time). “They snack between meals.”
3. In the interval separating (two points on a scale). “A man aged between 18 and 30.”
4. Indicating a connection or relationship involving two or more parties. “The relationship between Pauline and Chris.” Synonyms: connecting, linking, joining, uniting, allying, among
5. By combining the resources or actions of (two or more people or other entities). “We have created something between us.”

Beyond –

1. At or to the further side of. “He pointed to a spot beyond the trees.” Synonyms: further away, further off; on the far side of, on the other side of, further away than, behind, past, after, over
2. Happening or continuing after (a specified time or event). “We can manage another two years, but beyond that the system is not viable.”

But –

1. Except; apart from; other than. “In Texas, we were never anything but poor.” Synonyms: except (for), apart from, other than, besides, aside from

By –

1. Identifying the agent performing an action. “The letter was written by Paul.”



Despite –

1. Without being affected by; in spite of. “He remains a great leader despite age and infirmity.” Synonyms: in spite of, notwithstanding, regardless of, in the face of, for all

Down –

1. From a higher to a lower point of (something). “Up and down the stairs.” Synonyms: to a lower position in, to the bottom of

During –

1. Throughout the course or duration of (a period of time). “The restaurant is open during the day.” Synonyms: throughout, through, in, in the course of, for the time of

Except –

1. Not including; other than. “Naked except for my socks.” Synonyms: excluding, not including, excepting, omitting, not counting, but, beside

Following –

1. Coming after or as a result of. “Police are hunting for two men following a spate of robberies in the area.”

For –

1. In support of or in favor of (a person or policy). “They voted for independence in a referendum.”

From –

1. Indicating the point in space at which a journey, motion, or action starts. “She began to walk away from him.”
2. Indicating the point in time at which a particular process, event, or activity starts. “The show will run from 10 to 2.”
3. Indicating the source or provenance of someone or something. “I’m from Hartford.”

4. Indicating the starting point of a specified range on a scale. "Men who ranged in age from seventeen to eighty-four."
5. Indicating the point at which an observer is placed. "You can see the island from here."
6. Indicating the raw material out of which something is manufactured. "A varnish made from copal."
7. Indicating separation or removal. "The party was ousted from power after sixteen years."
8. Indicating prevention. "The story of how he was saved from death."
9. Indicating a cause. "A child suffering from asthma."
10. Indicating a source of knowledge or the basis for one's judgment. "Information obtained from papers, books, and presentations."
11. Indicating a distinction. "The courts view him in a different light from that of a manual worker."

In –

1. Expressing the situation of something that is or appears to be enclosed or surrounded by something else. "Living in Deep River." *Synonyms:* inside, within, in the middle of, surrounded by, enclosed within

Inside –

1. Situated within the confines of (something). "A radio was playing inside the apartment."
2. In less than (the period of time specified). "The oven will have paid for itself inside 18 months."

Into –

1. Expressing movement or action with the result that someone or something becomes enclosed or surrounded by something else. "Cover the bowl and put it into the fridge."
2. Expressing movement or action with the result that someone or something makes physical contact with something else. "He crashed into a parked car."

3. Indicating a route by which someone or something may arrive at a particular destination. "The narrow road that led down into the village."
4. Indicating the direction toward which someone or something is turned when confronting something else. "With the wind blowing into your face."
5. Indicating an object of attention or interest. "A clearer insight into what is involved."
6. Expressing a change of state. "A peaceful protest which turned into a violent confrontation."
7. Expressing the result of an action. "They forced the club into a humiliating and expensive special general meeting."
8. Expressing division. "Three into twelve equals four"
9. (of a person) taking a lively and active interest in (something). "He's into surfing."

Near –

1. At or to a short distance away from (a place). "The parking lot near the sawmill." *Synonyms:* close to, close by, a short distance from, in the vicinity of, in the neighborhood of

Of –

1. Expressing the relationship between a part and a whole. "The sleeve of his coat."
2. Expressing the relationship between a scale or measure and a value. "An increase of 5 percent."
3. Indicating an association between two entities, typically one of belonging. "The son of a friend."
4. Expressing the relationship between a direction and a point of reference. "North of Chicago."
5. Expressing the relationship between a general category and the thing being specified which belongs to such a category. "The city of Prague."
6. Indicating the relationship between a verb and an indirect object.
7. Indicating the material or substance constituting something. "The house was built of bricks."

8. Expressing time in relation to the following hour. "It would be just a quarter of three in New York."

Off –

1. Moving away and often down from. "He rolled off the bed."

On –

1. Physically in contact with and supported by (a surface). "On the table was a water jug."

Onto –

1. Moving to a location on (the surface of something). "They went up onto the ridge."
2. Moving aboard (a public conveyance) with the intention of traveling in it. "We got onto the train."

Opposite –

1. In a position on the other side of a specific area from; facing. "They sat opposite one another." Synonyms: facing, face to face with, across from, eyeball to eyeball with, fronting
2. (of a leading actor) in a complementary role to (another performer). "Ever since he came into the public eye for his role opposite Tom Cruise, he's proven to be a force to be reckoned with."

Outside –

1. Situated or moving beyond the boundaries or confines of. "There was a boy outside the door." Synonyms: outdoors, out of doors, al fresco
2. Beyond the limits or scope of. "The high cost of shipping has put it outside their price range."

Over –

1. Extending directly upward from. "I saw flames over Berlin."



Past –

1. To or on the further side of. “He rode on past the crossroads.”

Since –

1. In the intervening period between (the time mentioned) and the time under consideration, typically the present. “She has suffered from depression since she was sixteen.”
2. For the reason that: because. “Delegates were delighted, since better protection of rhino reserves will help protect other rare species.”
3. Ago. “The settlement had vanished long since.”

Through –

1. Moving in one side and out of the other side of (an opening, channel, or location). “Stepping boldly through the doorway.” Synonyms: from one side to the other, from one end to another, in and out the other side

To –

1. Expressing motion in the direction of (a particular location). “Walking down to the mall.”

Toward/Towards –

1. In the direction of. “I walked toward the front door.” Synonyms: in the direction of, to, on the way to, on the road to, en route to
2. As regards; in relation to. “He was warm and tender toward her.” Synonyms: with regard to, as regards, regarding, in regard to, respecting, in relation to, concerning, about, apropos, vis-à-vis
3. Contributing to the cost of (something). “The council provided a grant toward the cost of new buses.” Synonyms: as a contribution to, for, to help with

Under –

1. Extending or directly below. “Vast stores of oil under Alaska.”



Underneath –

1. Situated directly below (something else). “Our bedroom is right underneath theirs.”
2. So as to be concealed by (something else). “Money changed hands underneath the table.”

Until –

1. Up to (the point in time or the event mentioned). “The kidnappers have given us until October 11th to deliver the documents.” Synonyms: (up) till, to, up to, through (to), up until, as late as; before, prior to, previous to, up to

Up –

1. From a lower to a higher point on (something); upward along. “She climbed up a flight of steps.”

With –

1. Accompanied by (another person or thing). “A nice steak with a bottle of red wine.” Synonyms: accompanied by, escorted by, in the company of
2. Possessing (something) as a feature or accompaniment. “A flower-sprigged blouse with a white collar.”
3. Indicating the instrument used to perform an action. “Cut it with a knife.”
4. In opposition to. “We started fighting with each other.”
5. Indicating the manner or attitude of the person doing something. “With great reluctance.”
6. Indicating responsibility. “Leave it with me.”
7. In relation to. “My father will be angry with me.”
8. Employed by. “She's with IBM now.”
9. Affected by (a particular fact or condition). “With no hope.”
10. Indicating separation or removal from something. “To part with one's dearest possessions.”

Within –

1. Inside (something). “The spread of fire within the building.”

Without –

1. In the absence of. “He went to Sweden without her.” *Synonyms:* unaccompanied by, unescorted by, in the absence of, sans, minus