

## Prepositions

A preposition is a word that links verbs, nouns (or pronouns) together. There are ~80 of them in English.

e.g. The dog barked **at** the cat

- The dog
- barked ← verb
- at ← preposition
- the cat ← noun

Usually a preposition is used before a noun and after a verb

Can you think of some examples?

## Some common prepositions

- at
- by
- for
- from
- in
- of
- to
- with

Can you think of a sentence for each?

## Some other prepositions

- about
- above
- across
- after
- against
- along
- among
- around
- before
- behind
- between
- beyond
- concerning
- despite
- down
- during
- following
- including
- into
- like
- near
- off
- on
- out
- over
- since
- through
- throughout
- towards
- under
- until / till
- up
- upon
- within
- without

## Connecting to time / place / action / principle / person / object

Each preposition has limits on what it can link ...

... but each preposition has different links 😞

e.g.

- The cat is **on** the chair  **on connects to a place**
- Lunch is **on** 12:30  **on doesn't connect to a time**

## Connections of common prepositions

- at            Place / Time
- by            Place / Action
- for           Time / Principle / Action
- from        Place / Time
- in            Place / Principle
- of            Objects / People
- to            Place / Action
- with        Objects / People / Action

## Prepositions of Place

- |             |             |            |              |
|-------------|-------------|------------|--------------|
| • <b>at</b> | the door    | • opposite | the window   |
| • next to   | the school  | • towards  | the goal     |
| • from      | the station | • through  | the tunnel   |
| • <b>in</b> | a box       | • along    | the street   |
| • to        | the cinema  | • beneath  | the river    |
| • <b>on</b> | a chair     | • beside   | the pool     |
| • under     | the table   | • near     | the motorway |
| • above     | the roof    | • close to | the city     |
| • below     | the river   | • among    | the trees    |
| • over      | the sea     |            |              |

## Someone's been untidy

at	opposite
next to	towards
from	through
in	along
to	beneath
on	beside
under	near
above	close to
below	among
over	



## Where is Teddy?

at	opposite
next to	towards
from	through
in	along
to	beneath
on	beside
under	near
above	close to
below	among
over	

