

# Answers

## Year 4

### Prepositions Worksheet 1

#### Prepositional Phrases

*Below are the correct answers for each question, with a brief explanation of why each answer is correct.*

1. The warriors sailed across the stormy sea.

**Answer:** across the stormy sea

**Why:** *The prepositional phrase begins with the preposition 'across' and ends with the noun phrase 'the stormy sea'.*

2. Before the battle, the chief inspected his shield.

**Answer:** Before the battle

**Why:** *The prepositional phrase begins with the preposition 'Before' and ends with the noun 'battle'. It is a fronted adverbial, so it is followed by a comma.*

3. The village was hidden behind the tall cliffs.

**Answer:** behind the tall cliffs

**Why:** *The prepositional phrase begins with the preposition 'behind' and ends with the noun phrase 'the tall cliffs'.*

4. The longship arrived during the freezing winter.

**Answer:** during the freezing winter

**Why:** *The prepositional phrase begins with the preposition 'during' and ends with the noun phrase 'the freezing winter'.*

5. Because of the fierce storm, the sailors turned back.

**Answer:** Because of the fierce storm

**Why:** *The prepositional phrase begins with the compound preposition 'Because of' and ends with the noun phrase 'the fierce storm'. It shows cause.*

6. The Vikings travelled \_\_\_\_\_ the vast ocean.

**Answer:** A) across

**Why:** *'Across' correctly shows movement from one side of the ocean to the other.*

7. The warriors gathered \_\_\_\_\_ the great hall.

**Answer:** A) inside

**Why:** *'Inside' correctly shows the warriors' position within the hall.*

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8. The raid took place \_\_\_\_\_ the harvest season.

**Answer: A) during**

**Why:** 'During' correctly shows the time within which the raid took place.

9. The shield wall stood \_\_\_\_\_ the enemy's arrows.

**Answer: A) against**

**Why:** 'Against' correctly shows the shield wall was positioned to face and resist the arrows.

10. The village was destroyed \_\_\_\_\_ the surprise attack.

**Answer: A) because of**

**Why:** 'Because of' correctly shows the cause of the village's destruction.

11. Which sentence correctly punctuates a fronted adverbial?

**Answer: A) Before the raid, the warriors prayed.**

**Why:** A fronted adverbial at the start of a sentence is followed by a comma, as in 'Before the raid, the warriors prayed.'

12. Which of these is a prepositional phrase?

**Answer: B) under the shield**

**Why:** 'Under the shield' begins with the preposition 'under' and ends with the noun 'shield'.

13. Which sentence uses a prepositional phrase to show time?

**Answer: A) During the winter, food was scarce.**

**Why:** 'During the winter' tells us when the food was scarce, so it shows time.

14. Which sentence uses a prepositional phrase to show cause?

**Answer: A) Because of the storm, the voyage was delayed.**

**Why:** 'Because of the storm' tells us why the voyage was delayed, so it shows cause.

15. Which of these is NOT a prepositional phrase?

**Answer: C) very quickly**

**Why:** 'Very quickly' is an adverb phrase, not a prepositional phrase, because it does not begin with a preposition and end with a noun.

16. Which words form the prepositional phrase in this sentence?

"The warriors marched beneath the ancient oak trees."

**Answer: C) beneath the ancient oak trees**

**Why:** 'Beneath the ancient oak trees' begins with the preposition 'beneath' and ends with the noun phrase 'the ancient oak trees'.



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17. Which words form the prepositional phrase in this sentence?

*"Since the invasion, the village has changed forever."*

**Answer: A) Since the invasion**

**Why:** 'Since the invasion' begins with the preposition 'Since' and ends with the noun 'invasion'.

18. Which words form the prepositional phrase in this sentence?

*"The chief stood between his two sons."*

**Answer: B) between his two sons**

**Why:** 'Between his two sons' begins with the preposition 'between' and ends with the noun phrase 'his two sons'.

19. Which words form the prepositional phrase in this sentence?

*"Because of the heavy snow, the journey was delayed."*

**Answer: A) Because of the heavy snow**

**Why:** 'Because of the heavy snow' begins with the compound preposition 'Because of' and ends with the noun phrase 'the heavy snow'.

20. Which words form the prepositional phrase in this sentence?

*"The treasure was buried beneath the frozen ground."*

**Answer: C) beneath the frozen ground**

**Why:** 'Beneath the frozen ground' begins with the preposition 'beneath' and ends with the noun phrase 'the frozen ground'.