

Year 5

Prepositions Worksheet 1

Key Rules to Remember

- A preposition tells us about the time, place or cause of something in a sentence.
- Not every describing word is a preposition — adverbs like quickly, loudly and happily are not prepositions.
- Prepositions of time: before, after, during, since, until, at. Prepositions of place: over, under, beside, around, between, above, near, past, across. Prepositions of cause: because of, due to.

Each set below contains two sentences with a preposition. Underline the correct sentences, then write their letters on the line below.

1.

- A) He walked really quickly.
- B) The children cheered loudly.
- C) She jumped over the hurdle.
- D) The relay team waited beside the track.

Answer: _____

2.

- A) The egg wobbled precariously on the spoon.
- B) He balanced carefully.
- C) The parents watched proudly.
- D) The runners lined up near the starting line.

Answer: _____

3.

- A) The children lined up quickly.
- B) The winner smiled happily.
- C) The medal hung around her neck.
- D) The trophy stood on the table.

Answer: _____

4.

- A) Everyone cheered enthusiastically.
- B) The runners sprinted across the field.
- C) The coach shouted encouragingly.
- D) The flag fluttered above the podium.

Answer: _____

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5.

- A) The race finished before lunch.
- B) The team celebrated joyfully.
- C) They posed proudly for the photo.
- D) The crowd clapped enthusiastically.

Answer: _____

Underline the preposition in each sentence. Then write it on the line below, and say whether it shows time, place or cause.

6. The race began at nine o'clock.

Preposition: _____ Time, place or cause: _____

7. The runners lined up beside the track.

Preposition: _____ Time, place or cause: _____

8. The match was postponed because of the rain.

Preposition: _____ Time, place or cause: _____

9. The children practised before the big day.

Preposition: _____ Time, place or cause: _____

10. The trophy was placed above the shelf.

Preposition: _____ Time, place or cause: _____

11. The sports day was cancelled due to the storm.

Preposition: _____ Time, place or cause: _____

12. The sprinters waited until the whistle blew.

Preposition: _____ Time, place or cause: _____

13. The obstacle course wound between the cones.

Preposition: _____ Time, place or cause: _____

14. The picnic was moved because of the wind.

Preposition: _____ Time, place or cause: _____

15. The teachers arrived during the morning.

Preposition: _____ Time, place or cause: _____