

Prepositions

A **preposition** is the first word in a group of words called a prepositional phrase. A **prepositional phrase** ends with a noun or pronoun called the **object of the preposition**. A prepositional phrase tells more about other words in a sentence.

Preposition The eagle lived on a cliff.

Prepositional Phrase The eagle lived on a cliff.

Object of Preposition The eagle lived on a cliff.

Common Prepositions

Here are some prepositions: *about, above, across, after, against, along, among, around, at, before, behind, below, beneath, beside, between, beyond, by, down, during, except, for, from, in, inside, into, near, of, off, on, onto, out, outside, over, past, since, through, throughout, to, toward, under, underneath, until, up, upon, with, within, without.*

Directions Write the prepositional phrase in each sentence. Underline the preposition.

1. My family drove through the Rocky Mountains.

through the Rocky Mountains

2. A huge bird flew across the sky.

across the sky

3. It settled above a rocky cliff.

above a rocky cliff

4. It stopped beside a huge nest.

beside a huge nest

5. Inside the nest, baby eagles rested.

Inside the nest

Directions Choose the preposition in () that makes sense in each sentence. Write the sentence.

6. The word ___ a baby eagle is *eaglet*. (for, into)

The word for a baby eagle is *eaglet*.

7. An eaglet is covered ___ fuzz. (from, with)

An eaglet is covered with fuzz.

8. Eaglets leave the nest ___ 12 weeks. (after, onto)

Eaglets leave the nest after 12 weeks.