Prepositions of Movement

Prepositions of Direction (or Prepositions of Movement) are used to show movement from one place to another. These prepositions are most often used with verbs of motion and are found after the verb.

List of Prepositions of Movement with Pictures

Learn prepositions list with pictures, meaning and example sentences.

Down



The preposition **down** indicates movement from a higher to a lower position.

Example: It came down the stairs.

Up



The preposition **up** indicates movement from a lower to a higher position.

Example: It went **up** the stairs.

Out of



The preposition **out of** indicates movement from inside a space to outside a space.

Example: She flounced out of the house.

Into



The preposition **into** refers to movement from the outside to the inside of a three dimensional space and it can be used to express the idea of movement in the direction of something, often resulting in actually hitting it.

Example: We went **into** the shop on the corner.

Toward



The preposition **toward** is used to say that someone or something moves, looks, faces,... in the direction of someone or something.

Example: He was standing with his back toward me.

Away



The preposition **away** is used to say that someone leaves a place or person, or stays some distance from a place or person.

Example: She turned away and stared out of the window.

Past



The preposition **past** describes a movement at the far side of something or beyond something.

Example: Walk **past** the theater on the right and the bank is on the left.

Over



The preposition **over** is used to talk about movement from one side of a place to another. It usually refers to movement in relation to two-dimensional surfaces (a lawn, lake, table etc) or to show when something is positioned on the opposite side of a line (a river, bridge, road etc).

Example: The cat jumped over the wall.

Onto



The preposition **onto** used to show movement into or on a particular place.

Example: The cat jumped **onto** the roof.

Off



The preposition **off** describes a movement away from something.

Example: We get **off** the train at the next stop.

Around



The preposition **around** refers to going along its edge in a circular direction.

Example: You must drive **around** the city center to reach the cinema.

Under



The preposition **under** describes a movement below the surface of something.

Example: The cat is **under** the table.

Along



The preposition **along** is used to show movement following a line, it is also sometimes used to show a specific position in relation to a line or to show when things are positioned in a line.

Example: He's walking along the path.

Across



The preposition **across** is used for describing a position that is stretching from a certain place to the other or from one side to the other.

Example: You must walk **across** the street at the crosswalk.

Through



The preposition **through** is used for describing movement from particular point to the other or from one end to the other.

Example: The car went **through** the tunnel.

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