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CHAPTER 5 *The Phrase*

Prepositional Phrases

A **preposition** is a word that shows the relationship of a noun or a pronoun to some other word in the sentence. A preposition never stands alone in a sentence. It is always followed by a noun or a pronoun that is called the **object of the preposition.** All together a preposition, its object, and the object's modifiers (if there are any) make up a prepositional phrase.

EXERCISE In each sentence below, underline the prepositional phrase. Write the preposition on the line provided. If a sentence has more than one prepositional phrase, include them all. If there are no prepositional phrases, write **None.**

EXAMPLES: After the war, we moved to Asia. _____ After, to

We moved abroad. _____ None

1. Einstein's calculations indicated that the speed of light is constant. _____
2. Diana is always polite to everyone. _____
3. Before 1945 butter was often scarce. _____
4. In spite of her, the team won easily. _____
5. Besides the Smithleys we entertained the Yees. _____
6. We should arrive on time. _____
7. Since July the shortage has caused panic. _____
8. Throughout the year Darius worked hard. _____
9. My favorite sports are soccer and basketball. _____
10. With skilled pitching the baseball team won first place. _____
11. The soldiers looked around carefully. _____
12. In an emergency Fran never loses control. _____
13. Who volunteered for that job? _____
14. Rose Ann answered all of the questions. _____
15. The river thaws during the spring. _____
16. Those locusts appear once every seventeen years. _____
17. Equipped with radar devices, the troopers monitored the traffic. _____
18. The newscaster looked the governor in the eye and asked the question. _____
19. We're all ready for the weekend to arrive. _____
20. He lobbed the ball across home plate. _____

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