

Sentences for Practice

Prepositional Phrases

Prepositions to Remember

List forty-seven prepositions.

1. <u>aboard</u>	23. <u>from</u>	45. <u>within</u>
2. <u>about</u>	24. <u>inside</u>	46. <u>without</u>
3. <u>above</u>	25. <u>in</u>	47. <u>underneath</u>
4. <u>across</u>	26. <u>into</u>	
5. <u>after</u>	27. <u>near</u>	
6. <u>against</u>	28. <u>of</u>	
7. <u>along</u>	29. <u>off</u>	
8. <u>among</u>	30. <u>on</u>	
9. <u>around</u>	31. <u>out</u>	
10. <u>before</u>	32. <u>outside</u>	
11. <u>behind</u>	33. <u>over</u>	
12. <u>below</u>	34. <u>past</u>	
13. <u>beneath</u>	35. <u>since</u>	
14. <u>beside</u>	36. <u>through</u>	
15. <u>between</u>	37. <u>throughout</u>	
16. <u>beyond</u>	38. <u>to</u>	
17. <u>at</u>	39. <u>toward</u>	
18. <u>by</u>	40. <u>under</u>	
19. <u>down</u>	41. <u>up</u>	
20. <u>during</u>	42. <u>until</u>	
21. <u>except</u>	43. <u>upon</u>	
22. <u>for</u>	44. <u>with</u>	



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Analyze the following sentences.

1. Did Otis go (to the birthday party) alone?

Diagram for sentence 1: The sentence structure is hv S PV. The verb 'go' is the PV. The object of the verb is a prepositional phrase 'to the birthday party'. The preposition 'to' is labeled 'p'. The noun 'birthday party' is labeled 'op'. The adverb 'alone' is labeled 'adv'. A bracket labeled 'adv' covers the entire phrase 'alone?'. Another bracket labeled 'prep' covers the phrase 'to the birthday party'.

2. The remainder (of the children) listened (to Uncle Roy.)

Diagram for sentence 2: The sentence structure is S PV. The subject 'The remainder' is labeled 'adj'. The verb 'listened' is the PV. The object of the verb is a prepositional phrase 'to Uncle Roy'. The preposition 'to' is labeled 'p'. The noun 'Uncle Roy' is labeled 'op'. A bracket labeled 'adv' covers the entire phrase 'to Uncle Roy.'. Another bracket labeled 'prep' covers the phrase '(of the children)'.

3. Uncle Roy was telling stories (about Wisconsin.)

Diagram for sentence 3: The sentence structure is S hv PV. The subject 'Uncle Roy' is labeled 'S'. The verb 'was telling' is the hv. The object of the verb is a noun 'stories'. The prepositional phrase 'about Wisconsin' is labeled 'op'. A bracket labeled 'do' covers the verb 'was telling'. Another bracket labeled 'prep' covers the phrase '(about Wisconsin.)'.

4. (On frosty winter days,) Uncle Roy shoveled (sidewalks)

Diagram for sentence 4: The sentence structure is S PV. The subject 'Uncle Roy' is labeled 'S'. The verb 'shoveled' is the PV. The object of the verb is a noun phrase '(sidewalks)'. A bracket labeled 'do' covers the verb 'shoveled'. Another bracket labeled 'prep' covers the phrase '(On frosty winter days,) Uncle Roy'.

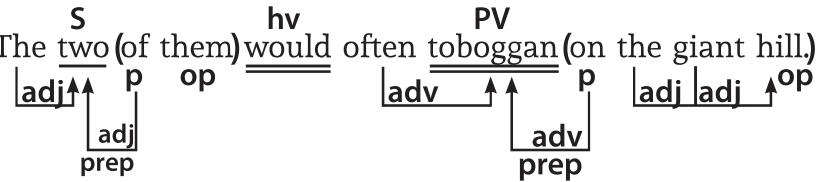
5. Was Uncle Roy's friend (from the country) a dairy farmer?

Diagram for sentence 5: The sentence structure is lv S PN. The verb 'Was' is the lv. The subject 'Uncle Roy's friend' is labeled 'S'. The predicate 'a dairy farmer' is the PN. The prepositional phrase 'from the country' is labeled 'op'. The noun 'dairy farmer' is labeled 'ad'. A bracket labeled 'prep' covers the phrase '(from the country)'. Another bracket labeled 'adv' covers the phrase 'a dairy farmer'.

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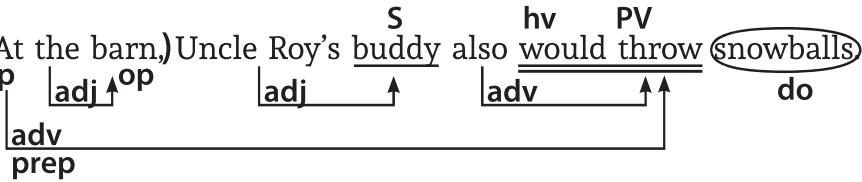
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6. The two (of them) would often toboggan (on the giant hill.)

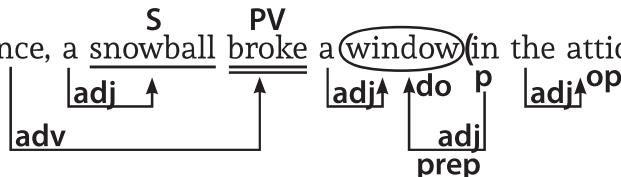


toboggan: to coast on a long sled with a curved front

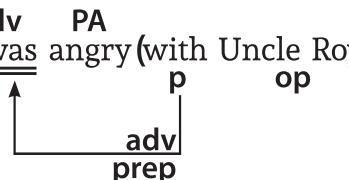
7. (At the barn,) Uncle Roy's buddy also would throw snowballs)



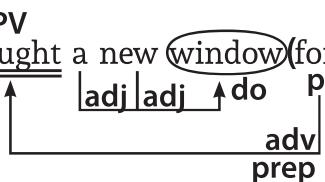
8. Once, a snowball broke a window (in the attic.)



9. Grandpa was angry (with Uncle Roy.)



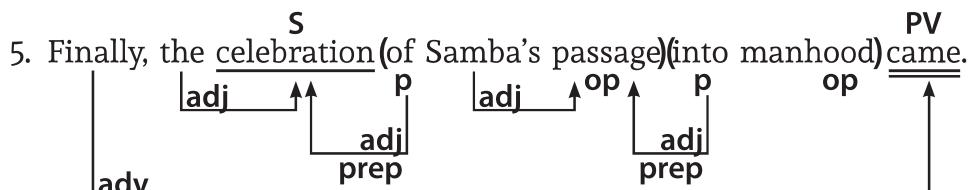
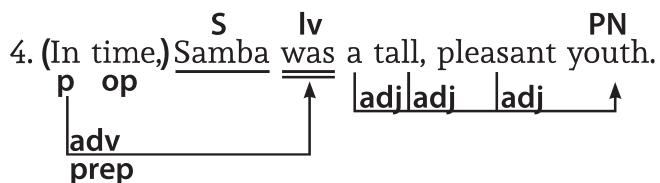
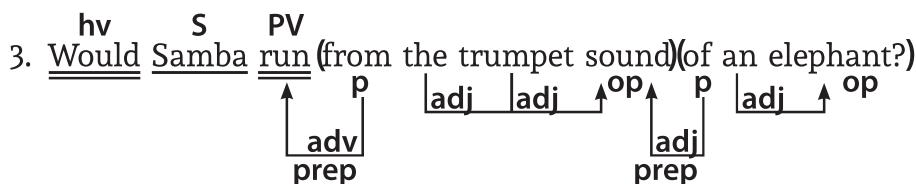
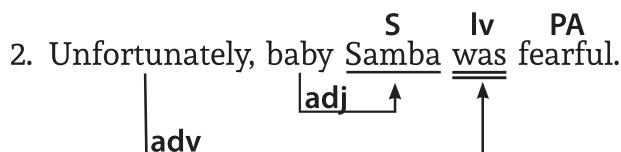
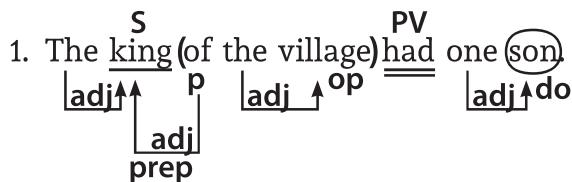
10. Uncle Roy bought a new window (for Grandpa.)



Sentences for Practice—Tale Prepositional Phrases

Analyze the following sentences, which retell an African folktale called “Samba the Coward.”

From the Sideline:
These extra practice sentences are a synopsis of “Samba the Coward.” The folktale and extended lesson notes are on the following pages.



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7. Samba could not be found anywhere.

8. Did the party (of defenders) leave (without Samba?)

9. Samba came back (with a story)(of bravery.)

↑ adv p adj ↑ op p op

adv prep adj prep

10. Sadly, the people would not believe the tale (at all.)

S hv PV

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adj adv adj↑do p op

adv adv adv prep

