

Application and Reasoning

Step 5: Expanding Sentences using Prepositions

National Curriculum Objectives:

English Year 3: (3G1.7) [Express time, place and cause using prepositions \[for example, before, after, during, in, because of\]](#)

Differentiation:

Questions 1, 4 and 7 (Application)

Developing Add a preposition expressing time, place or cause to expand a sentence. Word bank provided.

Expected Add two prepositions expressing time, place or cause to expand a sentence. Word bank provided.

Greater Depth Add prepositions expressing time, place or cause to expand a sentence. No word bank provided.

Questions 2, 5 and 8 (Reasoning)

Developing Find the preposition expressing time, place or cause and explain why it does not make sense.

Expected Find the prepositions expressing time, place or cause and explain which one, from a choice of two, does not make sense.

Greater Depth Find the prepositions expressing time, place or cause and explain which one, from a choice of three, does not make sense.

Questions 3, 6 and 9 (Application)

Developing Write the ending to a sentence using a preposition expressing time or place. Word bank of 2 prepositions provided.

Expected Write the ending to a sentence using a preposition expressing time, place or cause. Word bank of 3 prepositions provided.

Greater Depth Write the ending to a sentence using a preposition expressing time, place or cause. No word bank provided.

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Expanding Sentences using Prepositions

1a. Fill in the spaces with the correct prepositions.

because of

into

Frankie's cat climbed
_____ the cardboard
box and fell asleep.



A

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1b. Fill in the spaces with the correct prepositions.

about

over

The horse galloped around the
field and jumped _____
the gate.



A

2a. Circle the preposition which does not make sense in the sentence below.

Zara's mum would not let
her play outside over the
rain.

Explain why it is incorrect and suggest a
preposition that would make sense.



R

2b. Circle the preposition which does not make sense in the sentence below.

Harry put his brand new
poster up in his bedroom
wall.

Explain why it is incorrect and suggest a
preposition that would make sense.



R

3a. Complete the sentence below using
one of these prepositions:

to

before

Alfie put his bag down _____



A

3b. Complete the sentence below using
one of these prepositions:

due to

because of

Amelia walked home _____



A

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4a. Fill in the spaces with the correct prepositions.

because of

without

between

The terrified kitten hid _____
the bed sheets _____ the
loud thunder storm.



A

4b. Fill in the spaces with the correct prepositions.

through

between

near

Kelsey dropped her phone
_____ the puddle when she
was climbing _____ the
tunnel.



A

5a. Circle the preposition which does not make sense in the sentence below.

Due to her pet cat going missing, Ella did not feel like going above the party.

Explain why it is incorrect and suggest a preposition that would make sense.



R

5b. Circle the preposition which does not make sense in the sentence below.

She darted against the road, totally unaware of the traffic speeding past her.

Explain why it is incorrect and suggest a preposition that would make sense.



R

6a. Complete the sentence below using one of these prepositions:

following

since

after

Violet could not play football



A

6b. Complete the sentence below using one of these prepositions:

near

beyond

behind

Every day, Maxim walked his dog



A

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7a. Fill in the spaces with the correct prepositions.

Archie leaned _____ the
brick wall to take a quick break
_____ the sprinting race.

He did well coming fourth,
_____ his injury.



A

7b. Fill in the spaces with the correct prepositions.

"There's a letter _____ you!"
shouted Mum. "It looks like it is from
the university _____ the
logo on the envelope." I walked
_____ the letter, shaking.



A

8a. Circle the preposition which does not make sense in the sentence below.

**After the storm, the villagers
were shocked to see that
the lake in the park was
flooded between the
torrential rainfall.**

Explain why it is incorrect and suggest a preposition that would make sense.



R

8b. Circle the preposition which does not make sense in the sentence below.

**Dr Chen knelt down from
Rosa to examine her knee.
She had fallen out of the
tree house on to the rocky
ground below.**

Explain why it is incorrect and suggest a preposition that would make sense.



R

9a. Complete the sentence below using a preposition of your choice.

When she was younger , Jane and
her family cycled _____



A

9b. Complete the sentence below using a preposition of your choice.

Without thinking, Jake ran _____



A

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Developing

- 1a. Frankie's cat climbed **into** the cardboard box and fell asleep.
- 2a. **over** – this does not make sense as you can't play over the rain. The correct preposition is due to, in or because of.
- 3a. Various answers, for example: Alfie put his bag down before football practice.

Expected

- 4a. The terrified kitten hid **between** the bed sheets **because of** the loud thunder storm.
- 5a. **above** – this does not make sense because Ella would not be going above or over a party. Various prepositions may be suggested; examples include: to, into.
- 6a. Various answers, for example: Violet could not play football since she had injured her leg.

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- 7a. Various answers, for example: Archie leaned **against** the brick wall to take a quick break **following** the sprinting race. He did well coming fourth **despite** his injury.
- 8a. **between** – this is a preposition of place rather than time or cause so it does not make sense. Various prepositions may be suggested; examples include: on account of, because of, during.
- 9a. Various answers, for example: When she was younger, Jane and her family cycled throughout the local countryside.

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- 1b. The horse galloped around the field and jumped **over** the gate.
- 2b. **in** – this does not make sense because you can't put a poster in a wall. The correct preposition of place is on.
- 3b. Various answers, for example: Amelie walked home due to the bus being late.

Expected

- 4b. Kelsey dropped her phone **near** the puddle when she was climbing **through** the tunnel.
- 5b. **against** – this does not make sense as you cannot run against a road. Various prepositions may be suggested; examples across, over, along.
- 6b. Various answers, for example: Every day, Maxim walked his dog behind the local primary school.

Greater Depth

- 7b. Various answers, for example: "There's a letter **for** you!" shouted Mum. "It looks like it is from the university **on account of** the logo on the envelope." I walked **towards** the letter, shaking.
- 8b. **from** – this does not make sense. Various prepositions may be suggested; examples include: towards, by, near.
- 9b. Various answers, for example: Without thinking, Jake ran towards the forest so he could hide from the terrifying monster following him.