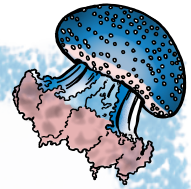


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Unnecessary Prepositions

Some expressions contain unneeded prepositions. Here are a few of them.

amounts up to Omit the preposition *up*.

The phone bill for last month **amounts up** to \$55.

at about Only one of these prepositions is needed. Use *at* if the time is specific. Use *about* if the time is not specific.

Incorrect: Scott's flight to Chicago left **at about** 7:00 this morning.

Correct: Scott's flight to Chicago left **at** 6:54 this morning.

Correct: Twila will leave for home **about** 5:00 tonight.

inside of/outside of Omit the preposition *of*.

Joe stood **inside of** the store until the downpour stopped.

We live half a mile **outside of** the city limits.

where to/where at Omit the prepositions *to* and *at*.

Where are you going **to**?

Where is the Space Needle **at**?

A Cross out each unnecessary preposition.

1. The weary pioneers camped outside of Fort Kearny at about sundown.
2. Do you know where Thomas is at?
3. Matthew reached inside of his pocket and pulled out a compass.
4. The rocket will launch at about 7:41 p.m.
5. Paul hopes to leave for home at about 8 o'clock tomorrow morning.
6. The money we earned at the farmer's market amounts up to \$350.
7. Where did you take the letter to?
8. Where did Anthony put the new atlas at?



Troublesome Prepositions

Although the prepositions in each pair look similar, they mean different things. Learn to use each preposition correctly by learning the definition for each one.

Beside means “by the side of.”

During chapel, Janna sat **beside** Andrea.

Besides means “in addition to.”

There are five boys playing croquet **besides** Aaron.

In refers to something that is located within an area.

Stay **in** the basement until the storm is over.

Into refers to motion from outside to inside.

Greg cautiously stepped **into** the hallway.

B Underline the correct preposition.

9. “Push the mower **in, into** the shed so I can fix it,” Dad told the boys.
10. We camped **beside, besides** a lovely mountain stream.
11. Elf owls build their nests **in, into** holes that woodpeckers have made and deserted.
12. Mandy lost her balance on the slippery rocks and fell **in, into** the cold water.
13. Wait for Mom **in, into** the car.



Looking Back



C Underline the verb that agrees with the subject.

14. Hide-and-seek **is, are** a popular game worldwide.
15. Either Richard or the twins **is, are** responsible to check on the turkeys.
16. Neither the uncles nor my father **was, were** prepared for what happened next.
17. None of the lights on the trailer **work, works**.
18. Mom said, “Five dollars **is, are** hidden around the room.”
19. Ten minutes **was, were** a short time to wait, but it seemed long.



D Circle the letter of each word that would be correctly divided at the end of a line.

20. a. Se-attle b. awe-inspiring c. compell-ing d. inact-ive

E Write *s* for *singular*, *p* for *plural*, or *e* for *either* to label each indefinite pronoun.

21. a. ____ some e. ____ few i. ____ each
 b. ____ many f. ____ one j. ____ none
 c. ____ both g. ____ anyone k. ____ all
 d. ____ most h. ____ any l. ____ several

F Use a semicolon to rewrite each pair of sentences as a compound sentence.

22. Jimmy doesn't know his assignment, he was absent Tuesday.

23. The sun shone brightly. It was a beautiful spring day.

G Circle the correct sentence pattern abbreviation underneath each sentence.

24. Three mighty men brought David some water from the well in Bethlehem.

s|av, do s|lv, pa s|av, io, do

25. Since 1606, Madrid has been the capital of Spain.

s|lv, pn s|lv, pa s|av, io, do

26. The pyramids of Giza are ancient.

s|av, do s|lv, pa s|av, io, do

27. Naomi's family often eats coconut cake at Easter.

s|av, do s|lv, pa s|av, io, do



H Do each exercise.

28. Write a sentence using an interrogative pronoun.

29. Write a sentence using the future tense of the verb *rise*.



I Add commas where needed.

- 30. While swinging Jan sang "There Is a Happy Land" at the top of her voice.
- 31. This fresh fragrant bouquet of flowers arrived this morning.
- 32. We planted eggplant beans corn watermelon and potatoes this year.
- 33. While digging Russel found an old arrowhead in the garden.

J Underline each interjection and add the correct punctuation after it. Circle each letter that should be capitalized.

- 34. Brrr this wind is cold.
- 35. Phew what a smell!

K Write clause or phrase to label each underlined group of words.

- 36. _____ Assembly lines use robots to help build vehicles.
- 37. _____ Bologna was named after a town in Italy.
- 38. _____ After the rain, Dawn saw a double rainbow behind her house.
- 39. _____ Bologna, Italy, is famous for certain kinds of cheese also.

L Add hyphens where necessary.

- 40. This gallon of tea only has three fourths of a cup of sugar in it.
- 41. Sarah bought four and seven eights yards of fabric for the comforts at sewing circle.
- 42. The population of their town grew by two thirds the day all the planes were grounded.



Penmanship



M Using your best handwriting, copy the names of these preachers.

Charles H. Spurgeon
 George Whitefield
 Jonathan Edwards

Dwight L. Moody
 John Wesley
 Charles Finney



Spelling - Definitions



N Write a spelling word to complete each sentence.

43. The good harvest helped Ryan pay off the last of the _____ on his farm.
44. Bright lights give Melody a _____.
45. Tom's prized possession was a _____ his grandfather had given him.
46. Paul was called to be the _____ for the Gentiles.
47. The neighborhood was quiet after the local _____ was arrested.
48. Grandpa has always had a _____ with coffee for a mid-morning snack.
49. It can take three years between planting a _____ and harvesting grapes.
50. The _____ predicted seven inches of snow, but we got eighteen inches.
51. The story of George Washington and the cherry tree is part of American _____.
52. Aunt Beth has a _____ for making guests feel at home.
53. Wilbur and Orville Wright's first airplane was _____ for twelve seconds.
54. Jesus does not _____ people who are sorry for their sins.
55. Mom used the rest of the apples to make _____.
56. Joanna's parents took their family to Belize when she was a _____.
57. James wrote only one _____, the Book of James.
58. _____ juice is very acidic.
59. A railroad _____ crosses the river a mile from our house.
60. There is a _____ hint of cinnamon in this dessert.
61. We may not copy this poem until the _____ expires in a few years.
62. Removing the grass and trees will _____ erosion on a piece of ground.

△ **O** Write the Section 3 spelling words in your notebook.