

## Preposition Quiz Info Sheet

Quiz Thursday, 1/12

**You will have to identify prepositions in sentences. Be careful of compound prepositions!**

Examples:

The cat ran down the street.

The Patriots are in the playoffs.

After dinner, I took a walk around my neighborhood.

In spite of the rain, we had fun playing soccer

We had no school for three days on account of the blizzard.

**\*Words like is, was, have, etc. are NOT prepositions.**

**\*Words that show actions are verbs, NOT prepositions.**

**You will have to identify prepositional phrases in sentences and identify the preposition and the object of the preposition.**

\*All prepositional phrases begin with a preposition and end with the object.

\*The object of the preposition (op) is a noun or pronoun.

\*The object is often only one word, unless it is a two or more words acting as one object.

\*When you see the word *to* followed by a verb, it is NOT a prepositional phrase.

Examples:

Mrs. Adams likes to eat Italian food in the (North End)

The dog ran across the (street).

I fell on the (ice) in front of the (store).

not a prep  
phrase

— = prep  
○ = object of  
prep (op)

**You will need to know the difference between a preposition and an adverb.**

**\*If there is no phrase following a preposition, it is not a preposition. It is an adverb.**

Examples:

I walked (inside my house.)      *prep phrase*  
preposition

I walked inside.      adverb

I ran outside, and then I decided to play basketball.      adverb

I colored (outside the lines) when I was in kindergarten.      preposition

*\*Hint: If the underlined word is followed by nothing, a comma, or an ending punctuation mark such as a period, it is an adverb.*

**Please study your preposition fact sheet (including the notes I gave you on prep phrases), and any homework/classwork exercises you have done so far. Also, use the practice links posted on the website.**

**Good Luck! ☺**