

NAME

Lesson 10.5.6 Prepositions

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EXERCISE 1 Recognizing Prepositions and Prepositional Phrases

Underline each prepositional phrase in the sentences below. Draw a box around the preposition(s). **Hint:** Some prepositions are compound.

EXAMPLE The mysterious passenger who spent all night in the train's dining car called herself, simply, Daphne.

Some words can be either **prepositions** or adverbs. Make sure the word you identify as a preposition is part of a prepositional phrase.

Adverb:

"Move over," she said.

Preposition:

She stepped over the puddle.

1. The *New Orleans Queen* lumbered toward Chicago for almost twenty-one hours.
2. Daphne stowed her suitcase above her seat without difficulty; however, she did not return to that coach car until the end of the trip.
3. During the trip, she politely shared her table with various other passengers, but she spoke few words apart from her name.
4. People who had passed through the dining car talked about her, but no one thought she was a celebrity whose face had simply faded from public memory.
5. For most of the night, Daphne stayed in her booth, gazing out of the window into the dark.

EXERCISE 2 Completing Prepositional Phrases

Fill in each blank below with an appropriate preposition that will complete the prepositional phrase.

EXAMPLE The only remarkable thing Daphne did, aside from monopolizing one booth for twenty hours, was to put lotion on her hands almost hourly.

1. _____ the trip, she never explained her reasons for doing this _____ anyone because no one cared enough to ask.
2. After arriving in Chicago, Daphne strode _____ the station, out the revolving door, and _____ a green van parked down the street.
3. The driver, her friend Marta, greeted Daphne _____ a big smile as the mysterious traveler got _____ the vehicle.
4. "Ready _____ another load of laundry?" Marta asked, _____ uttering a more typical welcome-home greeting.
5. _____ hesitation, Daphne began describing details of helping hurricane victims wash their clothes, remarking that the trip had been perhaps the most rewarding experience _____ her entire life.