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**Lesson 12.5.6 Prepositions**

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**EXERCISE 1 Identifying Prepositions and Prepositional Phrases**

Write one line under the prepositional phrases in the following sentences and two lines under the preposition itself. **Hint:** Some prepositions contain more than one word.

**EXAMPLE** According to my brother Luke, who was studying Japanese in Tokyo, a trip to that city would expand my mind.

Remember that a preposition must be part of a prepositional phrase. Also remember that some prepositions are compound.

**Compound preposition:**

We found a way out of the station.

**Adverb:**

We found a way out.

1. I saved money all year for the trip, and in spite of the long distance, my parents seemed excited about my going.
2. I flew out of Chicago at noon and, apart from a stretch of turbulence between Alaska and Russia, I slept most of the eleven-hour flight.
3. In a daze, I left the plane and walked into the loud and bustling Tokyo airport.
4. Because of the unfamiliar surroundings, I almost missed my brother, who was standing in the crowd with his girlfriend Keiko.
5. The three of us rode the train to the Roppongi district, where Luke was living.
6. Once we got settled in, I took a shower in an amazingly advanced bathroom.
7. I nearly jumped out of my skin when I heard the walls start speaking to me in Japanese.
8. In a panic, I pushed every button on the wall; finally, the water temperature was warm enough, and the disembodied voice seemed pleased with my temperature setting.
9. “Sorry,” said Luke about my one-sided conversation with the shower, “Japanese bathrooms can be very friendly!”
10. Throughout the discussion, Keiko just smiled and then distributed a long list of activities for us in Tokyo.

**EXERCISE 2 Distinguishing Prepositions and Adverbs**

Underline each italicized word once if it is a preposition and twice if it is an adverb.

<sup>1</sup>Luke, Keiko, and I took the subway *to* Ueno Park; the cherry blossoms there bloomed *above* us *in* delicate clouds *of* pink and white. <sup>2</sup>Luke said it was his favorite park *in* the city and one I should definitely see. <sup>3</sup>We walked *around* and took pictures *of* the Temple of Benten *in the middle of* the pond. <sup>4</sup>The Toshogu Shrine was another spot worth checking *out*. <sup>5</sup>Then *out of* the blue, it started raining, and everyone opened umbrellas or ducked *under* cherry trees. <sup>6</sup>*Due to* the rain, we spent much *of* the day *inside*.