Prepositions describe relationships **between** other words in a sentence, and almost always form structures called prepositional phrases, which locate something in place and time, modify a noun, or tell when/where/under what conditions something occurs.

**Prepositions can describe:**

- **Time:** at; on; in; since; for; from; to; during; within
  
  *Examples:* at noon; on Monday; in the morning; since yesterday; from August to January; until next week; during the game; within two weeks...

- **Place:** at; on; in; inside; over; above; under; underneath; beneath; below; near; by; next to; between; among; opposite
  
  *Examples:* at 123 First Street; at the store; on Willow Road; in Lancaster; in the box; over the barn; above the clouds; under the covers; underneath the open sky; beneath the bridge; below the surface; near the lake; by the dock of the bay; next to Charlie; between the corner and the desk; among the crayons; opposite the Starbucks...

- **Introduction to the object of a Verb:** glance at; laugh at; look at/to; smile at; stare at; approve of; consist of; call for/to; look for/to; pay for; wait for; watch for; wish for; apologize for; ask for/about; care for; study for; prepare for; give up; grow up...

- **Relationships of Nouns:** approval of; fondness for; need for; respect for; understanding of; love of; awareness of; confusion about...

- **Relationships of Adjectives:** afraid of; made of; fond of; proud of; capable of; tired of; angry at; worried about; sorry for/about; similar to; interested in...