## Identify Prepositions and Their Objects

A **preposition** is a connecting word. It comes before a noun or pronoun and connects it to the rest of the sentence. The noun or pronoun that comes after the preposition is called the **object of the preposition**.

Luca put his favorite shoes under the bed.

**Under** is the preposition. It connects the object, <u>bed</u>, to the rest of the sentence.

Most prepositions tell about time, place, or movement.

Some common prepositions are about, above, across, after, around, behind, below, beside, by, down, during, from, inside, into, near, of, on, outside, over, through, under, and with.

Directions: Each sentence contains a single prepositional phrase. Circle the preposition and underline the object of the preposition.

- 1. Alex leaned his baseball bat against the fence.
- 2. On <u>Saturday</u>, my twin brother and I played board games.
- 3. Emerson ordered a spicy chicken sandwich with a pickle.
- 4. The road is closed (until) midnight.
- 5. We hung my mom's canvas painting above the <u>fireplace</u>.
- 6. I noticed a black cat walking around the <u>neighborhood</u> last night.
- 7. During the storm, our lights flickered a few times.
- 8. Have you been inside the new concert hall yet?
- 9. Our dog, Scruff, scurried into the house when he heard my whistle.
- 10. I know nothing about jazz music, but I'm enjoying this song!