

PREPOSITIONAL PHRASES

A prepositional phrase is a phrase that describes another word or phrase in a sentence. A prepositional phrase starts with a preposition, such as to, in, or out. To diagram a prepositional phrase in a sentence, place the preposition on a diagonal line under the word it modifies. Place the object of the preposition on a line connected to the preposition.

Example: The audience laughed at the joke.	audience	laughed joke
Notice that the line for the preposition extends past the line for the noun, "joke." Diagram the following simple sentences.		
The cat ran up the tree.		
I want the doll in the store.		
Lilly climbed the stairs at the school.		
The horse in the pasture ate hay.		
The monkey in the jungle ate the berrie	s on the tree.	