Prepositions

Go around the house to the backyard.

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Prepositions are words like <u>at</u>, <u>by</u>, <u>from</u>, <u>in</u>, <u>of</u>, <u>on</u>, <u>to</u>, <u>with</u>, and <u>beneath</u> that typically come before a noun (or pronoun) to show how the noun relates to something else. For example:

The mouse ran <u>under</u> the table. <u>Under</u> shows the relationship between *the table* and *ran*.

Description Which one?	Time When?		
She is the woman <u>in</u> high heels. (wearing)	We went to sleep at 11:00.		
He is the kid <u>in</u> shorts. (wearing)	We need to be in bed <u>by</u> 11:00.		
Look at the girl with pigtails. (whose hair is in)	In August, we prepared for class.		
I like salad with dressing. (drizzled with)	He fell asleep <u>during</u> class.		
Let's go to a place with Italian food. (that serves)	Fall lasts <u>from</u> September <u>to</u> December.		
Direction Which way?	Location Where?		
Go through the first traffic light.	Why don't we meet at the coffee shop?		
Turn left at the second traffic light.	I put the pencil on the desk.		
We went <u>over</u> the bridge.	He is standing <u>next to</u> the fountain. (beside)		

I turned <u>to</u> the right.			She went <u>to</u> the store.			
More Prepositions						
aboard	at	considering	into	per	under	
about	before	despite	like	plus	underneath	
above	behind	down	minus	regarding	unlike	
across	below	during	near	round	until	
after	beneath	except	of	save	up	
against	beside	excepting	off	since	upon	
along	besides	excluding	on	than	up to	
amid	between	following	onto	through	versus	
among	beyond	for	opposite	till	via	
anti	but	from	outside	to	with	
around	by	in	over	toward	within	
as	concerning	inside	past	towards	without	

The boy hid <u>in</u> the pantry.

A simple way to identify location and direction prepositions is by thinking about the relationship between Stickman Bob and the Cougar Dome.

Stickman Bob is <u>on</u> the Cougar Dome.

above the Cougar Dome.
over the Cougar Dome.
behind the Cougar Dome.
beside the Cougar Dome.
in the Cougar Dome.
out of the Cougar Dome.
past the Cougar Dome.

