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## Prepositional Phrases

### Definition

A **prepositional phrase** is a group of words that begins with a preposition and ends with a noun or pronoun (the object). These phrases function as adjectives or adverbs in sentences, showing relationships of time, location, direction, or manner.

### Example

| Type      | Example                         | Answers Question |
|-----------|---------------------------------|------------------|
| Place     | "The book is on the table."     | Where?           |
| Time      | "We will meet after lunch."     | When?            |
| Direction | "The bird flew across the sky." | Where to?        |
| Manner    | "She spoke with confidence."    | How?             |
| Purpose   | "He studied for the exam."      | Why?             |

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### **PART 1: Identify the Prepositional Phrases**

**Underline the prepositional phrases in each sentence about Egyptian mummification. Then write whether each prepositional phrase shows place, time, direction, manner, or purpose.**

1. Ancient Egyptians preserved bodies for the afterlife.

Type: \_\_\_\_\_

2. During the mummification process, embalmers removed organs with special tools.

Type: \_\_\_\_\_

3. The brain was extracted through the nose with a hook.

Type: \_\_\_\_\_

4. After death, the body was taken to the embalming workshop.

Type: \_\_\_\_\_

5. Priests placed canopic jars beside the sarcophagus with great care.

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### PART 2: Multiple Choice

**Choose the sentence that contains a prepositional phrase showing the relationship indicated in parentheses.**

#### 1. (PLACE)

- a) Embalmers placed the mummy inside the coffin.
- b) Egyptian priests performed rituals throughout the mummification.
- c) The deceased traveled toward the afterlife.
- d) Mummification continued for thousands of years.

#### 2. (TIME)

- a) Workers wrapped linen around the body.
- b) Egyptians stored organs in canopic jars.
- c) After seventy days, the mummification process was complete.
- d) The heart remained within the body.

#### 3. (MANNER)

- a) Embalmers worked with precision and care.
- b) The mummy rested in the tomb.
- c) Amulets were placed between the wrappings.
- d) Priests chanted during the ceremony.

#### 4. (PURPOSE)

- a) The lungs were stored in the canopic jar.
- b) Embalmers used special tools for removing organs.
- c) The noble was buried beneath the pyramid.
- d) Mummies were preserved with natron salt.

#### 5. (DIRECTION)

- a) The soul traveled through the underworld.
- b) Mummies remained inside the tomb for eternity.
- c) Workers built monuments over many years.
- d) Priests prayed with great devotion.

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### **PART 3: Complete the Sentences**

**Complete each sentence by adding an appropriate prepositional phrase to show the relationship indicated in parentheses.**

Embalmers removed the brain \_\_\_\_\_.  
(MANNER)

The mummy was placed \_\_\_\_\_. (PLACE)

Egyptian priests performed rituals \_\_\_\_\_.  
(TIME)

The Book of the Dead was buried \_\_\_\_\_.  
(PURPOSE)

The soul of the deceased traveled \_\_\_\_\_.  
(DIRECTION)

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### **PART 4: Create Your Own Sentences**

**Write original sentences about Egyptian mummification using prepositional phrases that show the relationship indicated.**

1. A sentence with a prepositional phrase showing PLACE:
2. A sentence with a prepositional phrase showing TIME:
3. A sentence with a prepositional phrase showing MANNER:
4. A sentence with a prepositional phrase showing PURPOSE:
5. A sentence with a prepositional phrase showing DIRECTION:

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### PART 5: Identify the Function

Read each sentence about Egyptian mummification.  
Underline the prepositional phrase and identify whether it functions as an **ADJECTIVE** (modifying a noun) or an **ADVERB** (modifying a verb, adjective, or adverb).

1. The mask of King Tutankhamun was made of gold.

Function: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Egyptians believed strongly in life after death.

Function: \_\_\_\_\_

3. The body was dried with natron salt.

Function: \_\_\_\_\_

4. Embalmers wrapped the mummy in linen strips.

Function: \_\_\_\_\_

5. The organs in canopic jars were protected by four gods.

Function: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Prepositional Phrases – Answer Key

### PART 1: Identify the Prepositional Phrases

1. for the afterlife

Type: PURPOSE

2. During the mummification process, with special tools

Type: TIME, MANNER

3. through the nose, with a hook

Type: DIRECTION, MANNER

4. After death, to the embalming workshop

Type: TIME, DIRECTION

5. beside the sarcophagus, with great care

Type: PLACE, MANNER

### PART 2: Multiple Choice

1. a) Embalmers placed the mummy inside the coffin. (PLACE)

2. c) After seventy days, the mummification process was complete. (TIME)

3. a) Embalmers worked with precision and care. (MANNER)

4. b) Embalmers used special tools for removing organs. (PURPOSE)

5. a) The soul traveled through the underworld. (DIRECTION)

### PART 3: Complete the Sentences

Possible answers (other reasonable answers acceptable):

1. Embalmers removed the brain with a special hook. (MANNER)

2. The mummy was placed inside the sarcophagus. (PLACE)

3. Egyptian priests performed rituals during the seventy-day mummification period. (TIME)

4. The Book of the Dead was buried with the mummy for guidance in the afterlife. (PURPOSE)

5. The soul of the deceased traveled toward the Field of Reeds. (DIRECTION)

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### PART 4: Create Your Own Sentences

Sample answers (student answers will vary):

1. PLACE: The canopic jars were stored inside the tomb alongside the mummy.
2. TIME: During the New Kingdom period, mummification techniques reached their highest level of sophistication.
3. MANNER: The embalmers worked with great precision when removing the internal organs.
4. PURPOSE: The Egyptians placed amulets within the wrappings for protection in the afterlife.
5. DIRECTION: The deceased's soul traveled through the underworld to reach judgment.

### PART 5: Identify the Function

1. of King Tutankhamun  
Function: ADJECTIVE (modifies "mask")
2. in life after death  
Function: ADVERB (modifies "believed")
3. with natron salt  
Function: ADVERB (modifies "was dried")
4. in linen strips  
Function: ADVERB (modifies "wrapped")
5. in canopic jars  
Function: ADJECTIVE (modifies "organs")