

In these sentences, the words **with, for, from, of** and **through** are prepositions. They tell us about cause, i.e. why something happens. There are many other prepositions that are used for various other purposes.

For example,

1. There is a big tree **in front of** her house.
2. The files were destroyed **by** fire.
3. Indian soldiers fought **with** great courage.
4. This is a famous quotation **from** William Shakespeare.
5. **In spite of** all his wealth he is not satisfied.
6. She slept **till** ten o'clock.
7. She cut vegetables **with** a knife.
8. He will return **within** two hours.
9. We fly **between** New York and London twice daily.
10. He distributed sweets **among** the children.

Exercises

A. Pick out the prepositions in the following sentences.

1. Let us go for an evening walk.
2. The size of the room is 16 by 12 feet.
3. The horse and carriage is at my door.
4. Agra is on the banks of Yamuna.
5. The sun sets in the west.
6. We came the day before yesterday.
7. He is suffering from fever.
8. I have not slept since yesterday.
9. She is fond of coffee.
10. Cut this fruit with a knife.

for
by
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Use suitable prepositions from the help list to complete the following sentences.

HELP

LIST

between

behind

upon

till

outside

below

for

in

since

with

1. The man cut the wood with an axe.
2. She has been on leave since last week.
3. Shalini lives in Ludhiana.
4. They slept till ten o'clock.
5. I cannot choose between tea and coffee.
6. The monkeys jumped upon the wall.
7. Children are playing outside the house.
8. The dog walked behind his master.
9. I purchased a pen for rupees fifteen.
10. The temperature is 6 degrees below zero.

C. Use the following prepositions in making meaningful sentences.

1. at

My friend came at midnight

2. on

The boy sitting on the chair

3. in

I live in bhind

4. by

My house is by the lake

5. within

he eat food within an hour

6. among

she distributed toffies amongs all

7. since

He has been there since 2 o'clock

8. through

They lost their bags through neglig

9. for

she took medicine for fever.

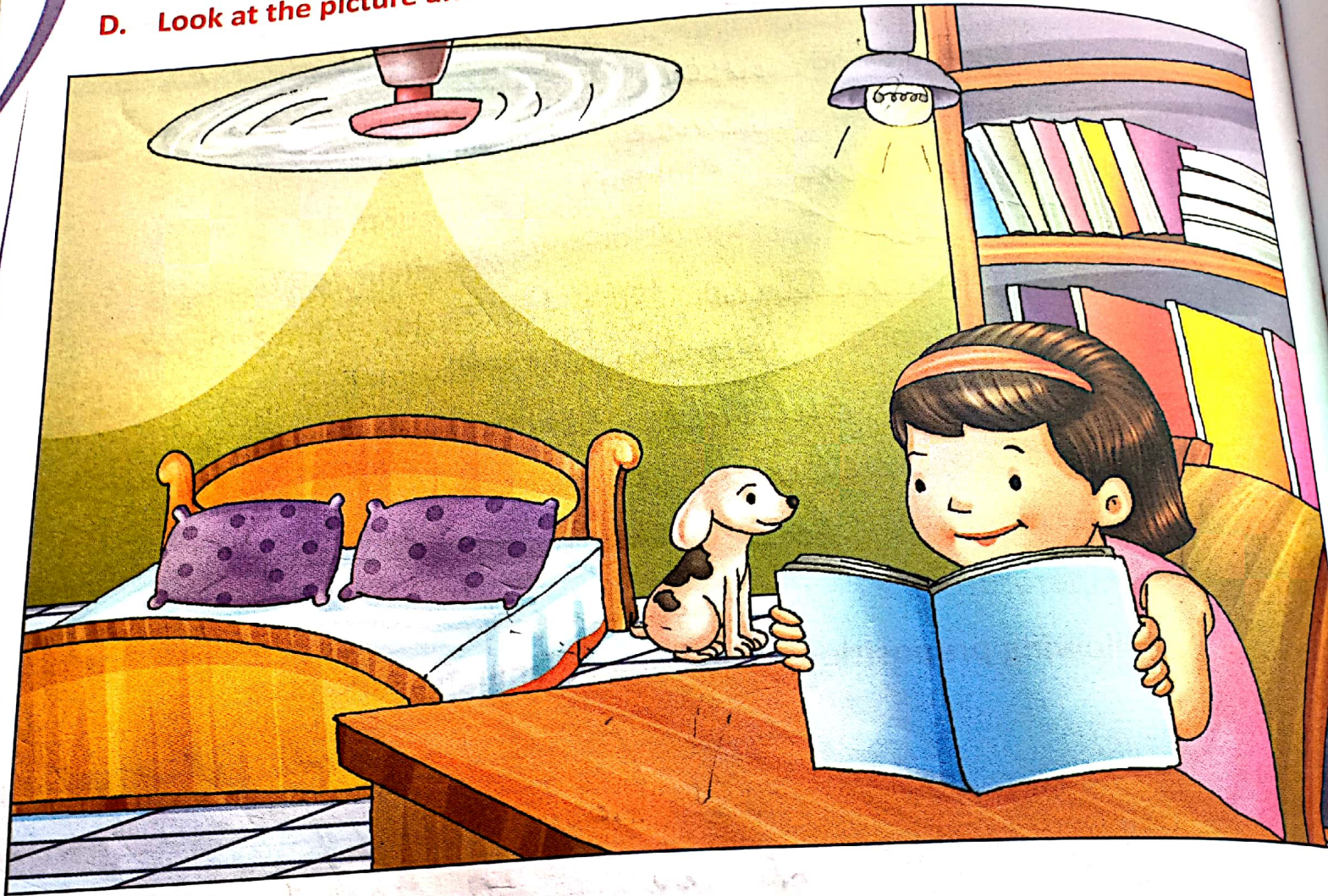
10. within

I will return within 3 three

hours

PLAY TIME WITH PREPOSITIONS

D. Look at the picture and fill in the blanks with correct prepositions.



1. The girl is sitting on a chair.
2. A bulb is hanging upon the table.
3. A fan is hung on the ceiling.
4. A dog is sitting beside the bed.
5. Books are kept in the bookshelf.

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Fill in the blanks with the appropriate prepositions given below.



HELP LIST

- in front of
- on top of
- inside
- behind
- beside
- in between

a.



b.



c.



d.



e.



f.



- a. The dog is sitting in front the doghouse.
- b. The dog is sitting beside the doghouse.
- c. The dog is sitting inside the doghouse.
- d. The dog is sitting behind the doghouse.
- e. The dog is sitting on top of the doghouse.
- f. The dog is sitting in between the doghouses.