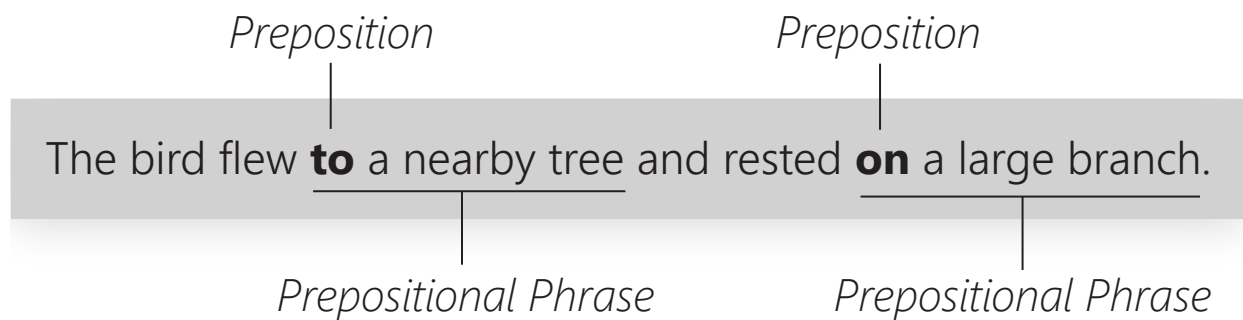


PREPOSITIONS

A **preposition** is a word that comes before a noun or pronoun to describe location, direction, and spatial relationships. The second noun connected with the preposition is called the object of the preposition. Together with the preposition, they form a **prepositional phrase**.



In the example above, the preposition *to* describes the direction in which the bird is flying, and *on* describes the bird's location. In both cases, the preposition is connecting the bird and another object.

Since prepositions specify how something is related to something else in time and space, it's important to be familiar with them:

aboard	around	beyond	inside	out	under
about	as	by	instead of	outside	underneath
above	at	concerning	into	over	unlike
according to	because of	despite	like	past	until
across	before	down	minus	regarding	unto
after	behind	during	near	since	up
against	below	except	of	through	upon
along	beneath	for	off	throughout	with
amid	beside/besides	from	on/onto	to	within
among	between	in	opposite	toward	without

