Year 5 English: Prepositions and phrases (Medium)

English · Grammar and punctuation
Level: Medium

Student: _____ Date: _____

Instructions
- There are 10 questions. Read each one carefully.
- Write your answers on this paper. Use the space under a question to work it out.
- A grown-up can read a question aloud — that's fine.
- The answers are at the end. Check them together when you have finished.

Questions

1. Tick every preposition.

Tick every answer that fits.

The platypus hid under a log during the storm.

☐ **A** The ☐ **B** platypus ☐ **C** hid ☐ **D** under
☐ **E** a ☐ **F** log ☐ **G** during ☐ **H** the
☐ **I** storm

2. Tick every preposition.

Tick every answer that fits.

We hung lanterns above the stage before the concert.

☐ **A** We ☐ **B** hung ☐ **C** lanterns ☐ **D** above ☐ **E** the
☐ **F** stage ☐ **G** before ☐ **H** the ☐ **I** concert

3. Tick every preposition.

Tick every answer that fits.

Leo planted seeds in the garden bed in spring.

☐ **A** Leo ☐ **B** planted ☐ **C** seeds ☐ **D** in ☐ **E** the
☐ **F** garden ☐ **G** bed ☐ **H** in ☐ **I** spring

4. Circle the phrase that tells where.

Circle one answer.

The platypus hid under a log during the storm.

○ **A** The ○ **B** platypus ○ **C** hid

○ **D** under a log ○ **E** during the storm

5. Circle the phrase that tells where.

Circle one answer.

Ella left her bag at school on Monday.

○ **A** Ella ○ **B** left ○ **C** her ○ **D** bag

○ **E** at school ○ **F** on Monday

6. Tick both phrases that tell when or where.

Tick every answer that fits.

The band played on the stage after dinner.

☐ **A** The ☐ **B** band ☐ **C** played

☐ **D** on the stage ☐ **E** after dinner

7. Leave out the phrases from this sentence: On Saturday morning, we picnicked beside the river. Which sentence is left?

Circle one answer.

○ **A** We.

○ **B** We picnicked.

○ **C** On Saturday morning, we picnicked.

8. Leave out the phrases from this sentence: Mum parked the car behind the school at noon. Which sentence is left?

Circle one answer.

○ **A** Mum parked the car.

○ **B** Mum parked the car behind the school.

○ **C** Mum the car.

9. Tick every phrase that tells where.

Tick every answer that fits.

> The tram rattled along the track past the museum.

☐ **A** The ☐ **B** tram ☐ **C** rattled

☐ **D** along the track ☐ **E** past the museum

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10. Which sentence adds a HOW phrase to ‘Mia carried the tray’?

Circle one answer.

○ **A** Mia carried the tray with steady hands.

○ **B** Mia carried the tray in the kitchen.

○ **C** Mia carried the tray after dinner.

Answer key

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1. D — under; G — during
Each phrase starts with a preposition.

2. D — above; G — before
Each phrase starts with a preposition.

3. D — in; H — in
Each phrase starts with a preposition.

4. D — under a log
'under a log' tells where. It starts with a preposition and has no doing word.

5. E — at school
'at school' tells where. It starts with a preposition and has no doing word.

6. D — on the stage; E — after dinner
Both phrases begin with a preposition and have no doing word of their own.

7. B — We picnicked.
Taking out 'On Saturday morning' and 'beside the river' leaves the core: We picnicked.

8. A — Mum parked the car.
Taking out 'behind the school' and 'at noon' leaves the core: Mum parked the car.

9. D — along the track; E — past the museum
Both of these phrases tell where.

10. A — Mia carried the tray with steady hands.
‘With steady hands’ tells how Mia carried it.