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| **Grammar Masters: Teacher’s Notes**  **Topic: Prepositions (Time, Place and Cause)** |
| Prepositions describe locations or directions. They link a noun, pronoun or noun phrase to another word in a clause.  For example:   * Her bag is *on* the peg. * The pencil is *beside* the computer. * *Under* the floor was a mouse.   They can also describe a relationship to time.  For example:   * He ate his lunch *before* he went out to play. * The teacher marked her books *until* it was time to leave. * I haven’t seen my teacher *since* break time.   In addition to this, causal prepositions may be used to indicate the reason why something has happened.  For example:   * We travelled in the car, *due to* the bad weather. * *Because* of the hot weather, the children put on their sun cream. * We all relaxed in the park, *following* the dance competition.   *Common prepositional language:*  above, across, after, before, below, beneath, inside, into, near, outside, since, under, until, in front of.  (Causal - because, due to this, following, on account of, in spite of, as a consequence of.) |

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