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Basics. Prepositions of Position: Next To, Between, and Under

Easy | A1 | Elementary | Beginners | Imperative mood | Phrase | Preposition | Present tense | Sentence | Progressive tense | Simple tense | Word order | Collocations

1. Complete this pet owner's diary entry about their cat's favorite, slightly weird, sleeping spots. Select the correct option for each blank.

When loud strangers visit our house, Sir Fluffington gets scared and hides completely _____ the sofa where no one can see him.

When I try to watch a movie, he demands attention by sitting exactly _____ me and the television screen.

At night, he is much sweeter and sleeps peacefully right _____ my pillow.

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- **A)** next to
- **B)** between
- **C)** under

Blank 2

- **A)** under
- **B)** next to
- **C)** between

Blank 3

- **A)** between
- **B)** next to
- **C)** under

2. Help Detective Barnaby organize his messy crime scene report by dragging the correct prepositions into the blanks.

The half-eaten donut was hidden _____ the sofa cushions and the TV remote.
The main suspect's muddy footprints were found right _____ the refrigerator.
Finally, the missing chocolate sprinkles were discovered completely hidden _____ the rug.

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- **A)** under
- **B)** between
- **C)** next to

Blank 2

- **A)** between
- **B)** next to
- **C)** under

Blank 3

- **A)** next to
- **B)** under
- **C)** between

3. Detective Whiskers is on the run from the vacuum cleaner! Select ALL the sentences that correctly describe where the cat could be hiding.

Select all that apply.

- **A)** The cat is hiding under the sofa.
- **B)** The cat is sitting between the sofa and the lamp.
- **C)** The cat is sleeping between the rug.
- **D)** The cat is hiding next the television.

4. Complete the pet owner's frantic text messages by dragging the correct words to show where the animals are hiding.

I found the cat sleeping happily _____ the warm radiator.
The dog is hiding _____ the kitchen table because he is terrified of the vacuum cleaner.
The hamster is somehow stuck _____ the couch and the living room wall!

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- **A)** between
- **B)** next to
- **C)** under

Blank 2

- **A)** next to
- **B)** under
- **C)** between

Blank 3

- **A)** under
- **B)** between
- **C)** next to

5. Help the frantic student find their phone by choosing the right word.

Choose the correct word to complete the sentence.

My phone fell, and now it is stuck ___ my bed and the wall!

Select one.

- **A)** under
- **B)** next to
- **C)** between
- **D)** above

6. Help the panicked college student find his missing things before class! Choose the best word for each gap to complete his text messages.

I finally found my phone! It was completely hidden _____ a huge pile of laundry.

Please be careful with my desk. My full coffee mug is balancing dangerously _____ my expensive laptop.

Also, I found my lucky pen! It was wedged perfectly _____ the keyboard and the monitor.

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- **A)** between
- **B)** next to
- **C)** under

Blank 2

- **A)** next to
- **B)** between
- **C)** under

Blank 3

- **A)** under
- **B)** next to
- **C)** between

7. Help Sarah give her friend accurate directions to the new cafe.

Choose the correct phrase to complete the sentence.

The Daily Grind coffee shop is right ___ the library, so we can go study immediately after we get our lattes.

Select one.

- **A)** between
- **B)** under
- **C)** next to
- **D)** inside

8. Help the clean-up crew! Select ALL the sentences that correctly use prepositions to describe a typical messy dorm room.

Select all that apply.

- **A)** The old pizza box is under the bed.
- **B)** The dirty shoes are next to the door.
- **C)** The laptop is between the desk.
- **D)** The backpack is under to the chair.

9. Complete the pet owner's text message to their roommate.

Choose the correct word to complete the sentence.

I finally found Professor Whiskers! He is hiding ___ the sofa because the vacuum cleaner scared him.

Select one.

- **A)** between
- **B)** under
- **C)** next to
- **D)** above

10. Let's set up the perfect study station for your big exam! Select ALL the grammatically correct instructions for placing your items.

Select all that apply.

- **A)** Put your coffee cup next to your laptop.
- **B)** Place your phone between the notebook and the pen.
- **C)** Keep your snacks between the keyboard.
- **D)** Leave your bag next of the chair.