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Prepositions of Place and Movement



Compound Prepositions

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<i>encima de</i>	on, on top of	<i>Tu teléfono está encima de la mesa.</i> Your phone is on the table.
<i>debajo de</i>	under, underneath, below	<i>El ratón Pérez te dejó dinero debajo de tu almohada.</i> The Tooth Fairy left you some money under your pillow.
<i>dentro de</i>	in, inside, within	<i>Hay un reloj dentro de la caja.</i> There's a watch inside the box.
<i>fuera de</i>	outside	<i>Hay un gato fuera de mi casa.</i> There's a cat outside my house.
<i>cerca de</i>	close to, nearby	<i>El parque está cerca del café.</i> The park is close to the coffee shop.
<i>lejos de</i>	far from	<i>La estación de metro está lejos de la universidad.</i> The metro station is far from the university.
<i>frente a</i>	in front of, facing, opposite	<i>Frente a la alcaldía hay una fuente.</i> In front of the mayor's office there's a fountain.
<i>enfrente de</i>	in front of, facing, opposite, across from	<i>Enfrente de la alcaldía hay una fuente.</i> In front of the mayor's office there's a fountain.



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<i>junto a</i>	beside, next to	<i>Jaime está sentado junto a Alicia.</i> Jaime is sitting next to Alicia.
<i>al lado de</i>	beside, next to	<i>Jaime está sentado al lado de Alicia.</i> Jaime is sitting next to Alicia.
<i>alrededor de</i>	around, about	<i>Hay un jardín muy bonito alrededor de la casa.</i> There's a lovely garden around the house.
<i>delante de</i>	opposite, in front of (facing towards)	<i>Siéntate delante de la ventana para tener una buena vista.</i> Sit down opposite the window to have a good view.
<i>detrás de</i>	behind, at the back of	<i>El centro médico está detrás de este edificio.</i> The medical center is behind this building.
<i>por delante de</i>	in front of, ahead	<i>La corredora va por delante de sus competidores.</i> The runner is ahead of her competitors.
<i>por encima de</i>	over, above, beyond	<i>El helicóptero vuela por encima de la ciudad.</i> The helicopter flies over the city.
<i>enseguida de</i>	beside, next to	<i>El café está enseguida del teatro.</i> The café is next to the theater.