

Name Key

Honors 10
Prepositional Phrases

Directions: In each of the following sentences, identify all prepositional phrases by placing parentheses around them. Then, draw an arrow from each prep phrase to the word(s) it modifies. Finally indicate whether each phrase is an adjective (ADJ) or an adverb (ADV) phrase by writing the correct abbreviation over it.

1. She paints portraits (of young children).
ADJ
2. The sailor steered (through the perilous channel) and (toward the open sea).
ADV ADV
3. They waved (to each passer-by) (on the road).
ADV ADJ
4. (In Illinois) (during the fall) maple trees turn brilliant red.
ADV ADV
5. The dunes (on the coast) (of Australia) are unbelievably high.
ADJ ADJ
6. The children played hopscotch (at the playground) (after school).
ADV ADV
7. There (up the hill) and (through the woods) winds a narrow road.
ADV ADV
8. Lemmings, small animals (in Scandinavia), occasionally follow a pattern (of self-destruction).
ADJ ADJ
9. (As a general rule) the lemmings peacefully eat a diet (of moss and roots).
ADV ADJ
10. When their food supply diminishes, however, they ford streams and lakes, devouring everything (in their path) and leaving no trace (of vegetation).
ADJ ADJ

11. When they reach the shore (along the sea) they swim out (into the ocean) until they drown.

12. Louisa May Alcott wrote (in America) for thirty years (during the nineteenth century).

13. The old manor (upon the hill) was rich (in traditions and history). --

14. (In the Roaring Twenties) the Teapot Dome scandal contributed to American dissatisfaction (with the presidency) (of Warren Harding).

15. Although Harding was not personally corrupt, the "Ohio Gang," friends Harding had named (to government positions) abused the trust (of the public) and profited illegally (from the sale) (of government oil).