PREPOSITIONS

SPEECH THERAPY



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528
DIRECTIONS



6 room mats · counters, chips or play dough

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The Prepositions at a Glance

All 16 words, the page of each scene, the page of its word card and the lines you say.

Word	Scene page	Card page	Say the sentence	Ask
in	5	13	The ball is in the box.	Where is the ball?
on	5	13	The ball is on the table.	Where is the ball?
under	6	13	The ball is under the table.	Where is the ball?
behind	6	13	The ball is behind the box.	Where is the ball?
next to	7	13	The ball is next to the box.	Where is the ball?
between	7	13	The ball is between the boxes.	Where is the ball?
in front of	8	13	The ball is in front of the box.	Where is the ball?
over	8	13	The airplane is over the house.	Where is the airplane?
above	9	14	The balloon is above the box.	Where is the balloon?
below	9	14	The ball is below the airplane.	Where is the ball?
beside	10	14	The cat is beside the box.	Where is the cat?
near	10	14	The bear is near the table.	Where is the bear?
far from	11	14	The bear is far from the table.	Where is the bear?
inside	11	14	The bear is inside the basket.	Where is the bear?
on top of	12	14	The bear is on top of the table.	Where is the bear?
across from	12	14	The cat is across from the dog.	Where is the cat?

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The student pages

- Scenes: pages 5-12.
- Word cards: pages 13-14.
- Room mats: pages 15-20.
- Cut and place: page 27.
- Draw it: page 29. Say it: pages 30-31.
- Low-ink set: pages 32-39.

And for you

- Room directions: pages 21-26.
- Mat directions: page 28.
- Data strips: pages 40-42.
- Summary: page 43. Example: page 44.
- Home practice: pages 46-47.

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next to

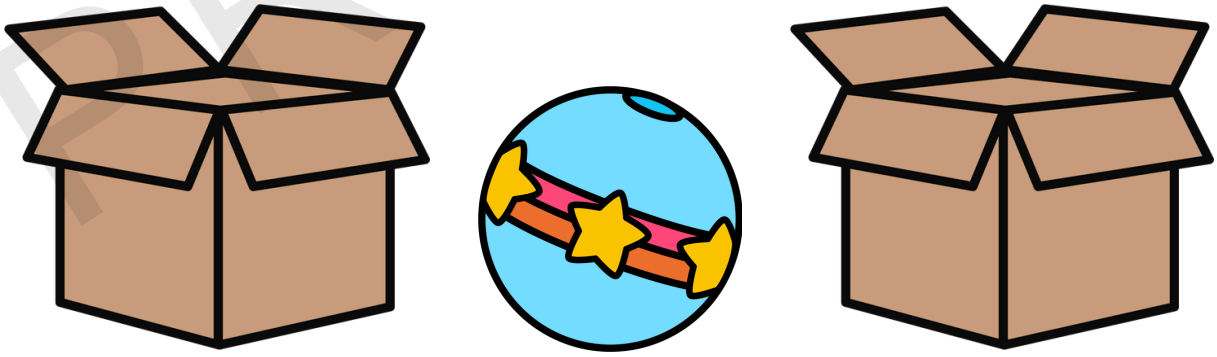
Where is the ball?



The ball is **next to** the box.

between

Where is the ball?



The ball is **between** the boxes.

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Name _____

beside

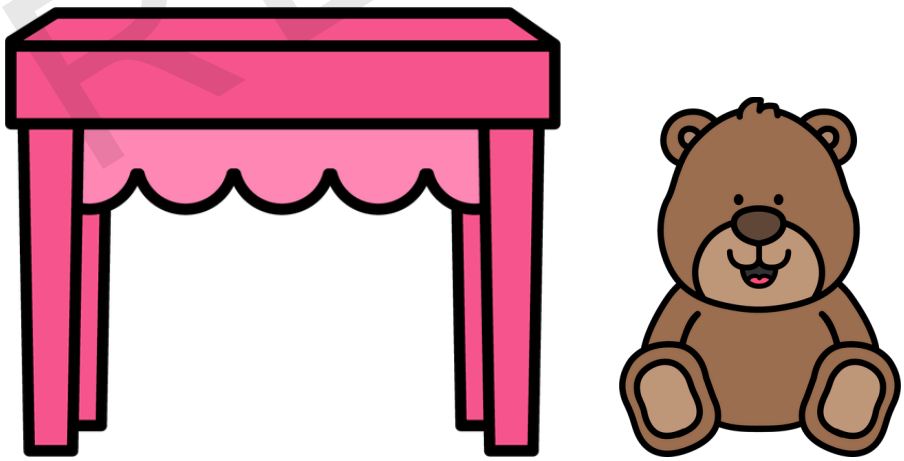
Where is the cat?



The cat is **beside** the box.

near

Where is the bear?



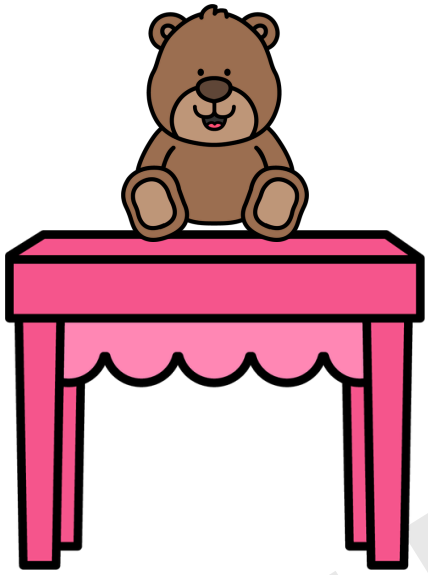
The bear is **near** the table.

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on top of

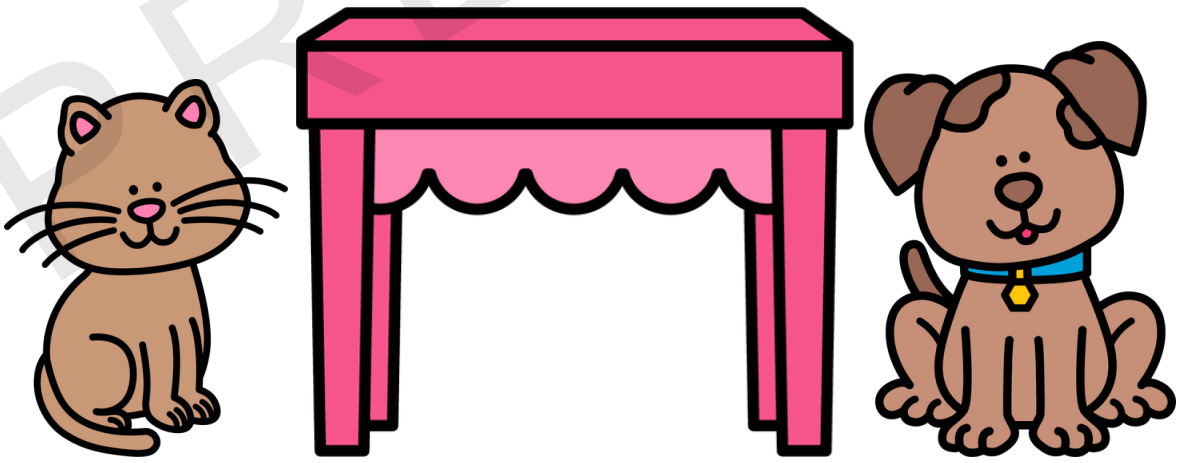
Where is the bear?



The bear is **on top of** the table.

across from

Where is the cat?



The cat is **across from** the dog.

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Kitchen

Listen. Put a counter where I say.



Words to listen for

in | on | under | behind | next to | between | in front of | over | above | below | beside | near | far from | inside | on top of | across from

Now you. Say where something is.

The _____ **is** _____ **the** _____ .

Name _____

Laundry Room

Listen. Put a counter where I say.



Words to listen for

in | on | under | behind | next to | between | in front of | over | above | below | beside | near | far from | inside | on top of | across from

Now you. Say where something is.

The _____ **is** _____ **the** _____ **.**

Kitchen: Directions to Say

For the Kitchen mat, page 15 (low-ink copy: page 32). 80 directions, 5 for each word. Say each one your own way, as slowly as you like.

Word	Directions
in	1 Put a counter in the basket. 2 Place a counter in the box. 3 Set a counter in the jar. 4 Slide a counter in the cup. 5 Move a counter in the teapot.
on	1 Put a counter on the table. 2 Place a counter on the stove. 3 Set a counter on the sink cabinet. 4 Slide a counter on the fridge. 5 Move a counter on the left chair.
under	1 Put a counter under the table. 2 Place a counter under the left chair. 3 Set a counter under the right chair. 4 Slide a counter under the table. 5 Move a counter under the left chair.
behind	1 Put a counter behind the table. 2 Place a counter behind the basket. 3 Set a counter behind the box. 4 Slide a counter behind the fridge. 5 Move a counter behind the stove.
next to	1 Put a counter next to the basket. 2 Place a counter next to the box. 3 Set a counter next to the fridge. 4 Slide a counter next to the stove. 5 Move a counter next to the sink cabinet.
between	1 Put a counter between the fridge and the stove. 2 Place a counter between the stove and the sink cabinet. 3 Set a counter between the left chair and the right chair. 4 Slide a counter between the jar and the cup. 5 Move a counter between the cake and the apple.
in front of	1 Put a counter in front of the fridge. 2 Place a counter in front of the stove. 3 Set a counter in front of the sink cabinet. 4 Slide a counter in front of the table. 5 Move a counter in front of the basket.
over	1 Put a counter over the stove. 2 Place a counter over the sink cabinet. 3 Set a counter over the table. 4 Slide a counter over the basket. 5 Move a counter over the box.
above	1 Put a counter above the sink cabinet. 2 Place a counter above the table. 3 Set a counter above the basket. 4 Slide a counter above the box. 5 Move a counter above the fridge.
below	1 Put a counter below the table. 2 Place a counter below the basket. 3 Set a counter below the box. 4 Slide a counter below the fridge. 5 Move a counter below the stove.
beside	1 Put a counter beside the basket. 2 Place a counter beside the box. 3 Set a counter beside the fridge. 4 Slide a counter beside the stove. 5 Move a counter beside the sink cabinet.
near	1 Put a counter near the box. 2 Place a counter near the fridge. 3 Set a counter near the stove. 4 Slide a counter near the sink cabinet. 5 Move a counter near the table.
far from	1 Put a counter far from the fridge. 2 Place a counter far from the stove. 3 Set a counter far from the sink cabinet. 4 Slide a counter far from the table. 5 Move a counter far from the basket.
inside	1 Put a counter inside the jar. 2 Place a counter inside the cup. 3 Set a counter inside the teapot. 4 Slide a counter inside the basket. 5 Move a counter inside the box.
on top of	1 Put a counter on top of the sink cabinet. 2 Place a counter on top of the fridge. 3 Set a counter on top of the left chair. 4 Slide a counter on top of the table. 5 Move a counter on top of the stove.
across from	1 Put a counter across from the table. 2 Place a counter across from the basket. 3 Set a counter across from the box. 4 Slide a counter across from the fridge. 5 Move a counter across from the stove.

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Dining Room: Directions to Say

For the Dining Room mat, page 17 (low-ink copy: page 34). 80 directions, 5 for each word. Say each one your own way, as slowly as you like.

Word	Directions
in	1 Put a counter in the basket. 2 Place a counter in the teapot. 3 Set a counter in the cup. 4 Slide a counter in the jar. 5 Move a counter in the box.
on	1 Put a counter on the table. 2 Place a counter on the hutch. 3 Set a counter on the left chair. 4 Slide a counter on the right chair. 5 Move a counter on the rug.
under	1 Put a counter under the table. 2 Place a counter under the left chair. 3 Set a counter under the right chair. 4 Slide a counter under the table. 5 Move a counter under the left chair.
behind	1 Put a counter behind the rug. 2 Place a counter behind the basket. 3 Set a counter behind the right chair. 4 Slide a counter behind the hutch. 5 Move a counter behind the table.
next to	1 Put a counter next to the basket. 2 Place a counter next to the right chair. 3 Set a counter next to the hutch. 4 Slide a counter next to the table. 5 Move a counter next to the left chair.
between	1 Put a counter between the left chair and the right chair. 2 Place a counter between the hutch and the left chair. 3 Set a counter between the teapot and the cake. 4 Slide a counter between the box and the jar. 5 Move a counter between the basket and the right chair.
in front of	1 Put a counter in front of the hutch. 2 Place a counter in front of the table. 3 Set a counter in front of the left chair. 4 Slide a counter in front of the rug. 5 Move a counter in front of the basket.
over	1 Put a counter over the table. 2 Place a counter over the left chair. 3 Set a counter over the rug. 4 Slide a counter over the basket. 5 Move a counter over the right chair.
above	1 Put a counter above the left chair. 2 Place a counter above the rug. 3 Set a counter above the basket. 4 Slide a counter above the right chair. 5 Move a counter above the hutch.
below	1 Put a counter below the rug. 2 Place a counter below the basket. 3 Set a counter below the right chair. 4 Slide a counter below the hutch. 5 Move a counter below the table.
beside	1 Put a counter beside the basket. 2 Place a counter beside the right chair. 3 Set a counter beside the hutch. 4 Slide a counter beside the table. 5 Move a counter beside the left chair.
near	1 Put a counter near the right chair. 2 Place a counter near the hutch. 3 Set a counter near the table. 4 Slide a counter near the left chair. 5 Move a counter near the rug.
far from	1 Put a counter far from the hutch. 2 Place a counter far from the table. 3 Set a counter far from the left chair. 4 Slide a counter far from the rug. 5 Move a counter far from the basket.
inside	1 Put a counter inside the cup. 2 Place a counter inside the jar. 3 Set a counter inside the box. 4 Slide a counter inside the basket. 5 Move a counter inside the teapot.
on top of	1 Put a counter on top of the left chair. 2 Place a counter on top of the right chair. 3 Set a counter on top of the rug. 4 Slide a counter on top of the table. 5 Move a counter on top of the hutch.
across from	1 Put a counter across from the rug. 2 Place a counter across from the basket. 3 Set a counter across from the right chair. 4 Slide a counter across from the hutch. 5 Move a counter across from the table.

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Living Room: Directions to Say

For the Living Room mat, page 20 (low-ink copy: page 37). 80 directions, 5 for each word. Say each one your own way, as slowly as you like.

Word	Directions
in	1 Put a counter in the basket. 2 Place a counter in the box. 3 Set a counter in the cup. 4 Slide a counter in the sofa. 5 Move a counter in the armchair.
on	1 Put a counter on the coffee table. 2 Place a counter on the sofa. 3 Set a counter on the armchair. 4 Slide a counter on the bookshelf. 5 Move a counter on the side table.
under	1 Put a counter under the coffee table. 2 Place a counter under the side table. 3 Set a counter under the chair. 4 Slide a counter under the coffee table. 5 Move a counter under the side table.
behind	1 Put a counter behind the bookshelf. 2 Place a counter behind the coffee table. 3 Set a counter behind the armchair. 4 Slide a counter behind the sofa. 5 Move a counter behind the lamp.
next to	1 Put a counter next to the coffee table. 2 Place a counter next to the armchair. 3 Set a counter next to the sofa. 4 Slide a counter next to the lamp. 5 Move a counter next to the TV stand.
between	1 Put a counter between the lamp and the sofa. 2 Place a counter between the sofa and the bookshelf. 3 Set a counter between the bookshelf and the TV stand. 4 Slide a counter between the coffee table and the side table. 5 Move a counter between the basket and the chair.
in front of	1 Put a counter in front of the sofa. 2 Place a counter in front of the lamp. 3 Set a counter in front of the TV stand. 4 Slide a counter in front of the bookshelf. 5 Move a counter in front of the coffee table.
over	1 Put a counter over the lamp. 2 Place a counter over the TV stand. 3 Set a counter over the bookshelf. 4 Slide a counter over the coffee table. 5 Move a counter over the armchair.
above	1 Put a counter above the TV stand. 2 Place a counter above the bookshelf. 3 Set a counter above the coffee table. 4 Slide a counter above the armchair. 5 Move a counter above the sofa.
below	1 Put a counter below the bookshelf. 2 Place a counter below the coffee table. 3 Set a counter below the armchair. 4 Slide a counter below the sofa. 5 Move a counter below the lamp.
beside	1 Put a counter beside the coffee table. 2 Place a counter beside the armchair. 3 Set a counter beside the sofa. 4 Slide a counter beside the lamp. 5 Move a counter beside the TV stand.
near	1 Put a counter near the armchair. 2 Place a counter near the sofa. 3 Set a counter near the lamp. 4 Slide a counter near the TV stand. 5 Move a counter near the bookshelf.
far from	1 Put a counter far from the sofa. 2 Place a counter far from the lamp. 3 Set a counter far from the TV stand. 4 Slide a counter far from the bookshelf. 5 Move a counter far from the coffee table.
inside	1 Put a counter inside the cup. 2 Place a counter inside the sofa. 3 Set a counter inside the armchair. 4 Slide a counter inside the basket. 5 Move a counter inside the box.
on top of	1 Put a counter on top of the armchair. 2 Place a counter on top of the bookshelf. 3 Set a counter on top of the side table. 4 Slide a counter on top of the coffee table. 5 Move a counter on top of the sofa.
across from	1 Put a counter across from the bookshelf. 2 Place a counter across from the coffee table. 3 Set a counter across from the armchair. 4 Slide a counter across from the sofa. 5 Move a counter across from the lamp.

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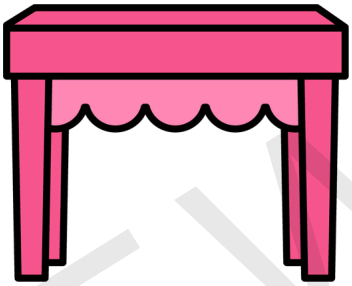
Draw It

Draw a ball. Put it where the words say.

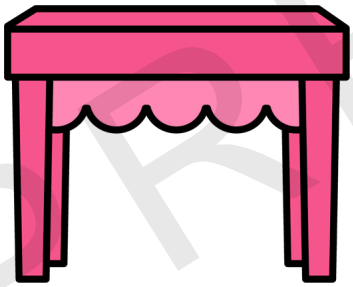
Draw a ball **in** the box.



Draw a ball **on** the table.



Draw a ball **under** the table.



Draw a ball **behind** the box.



Draw a ball **next to** the box.



Draw a ball **over** the box.



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Say It

Look. Pick a word. Say the sentence.

Words: above · below · beside · near · far from · inside · on top of · across from



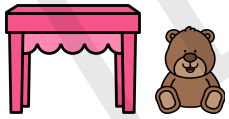

The balloon is _____ the box.




The ball is _____ the airplane.




The cat is _____ the box.



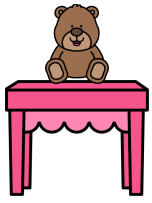
The bear is _____ the table.



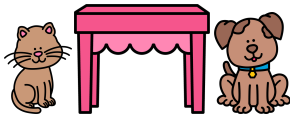

The bear is _____ the table.



The bear is _____ the basket.



The bear is _____ the table.



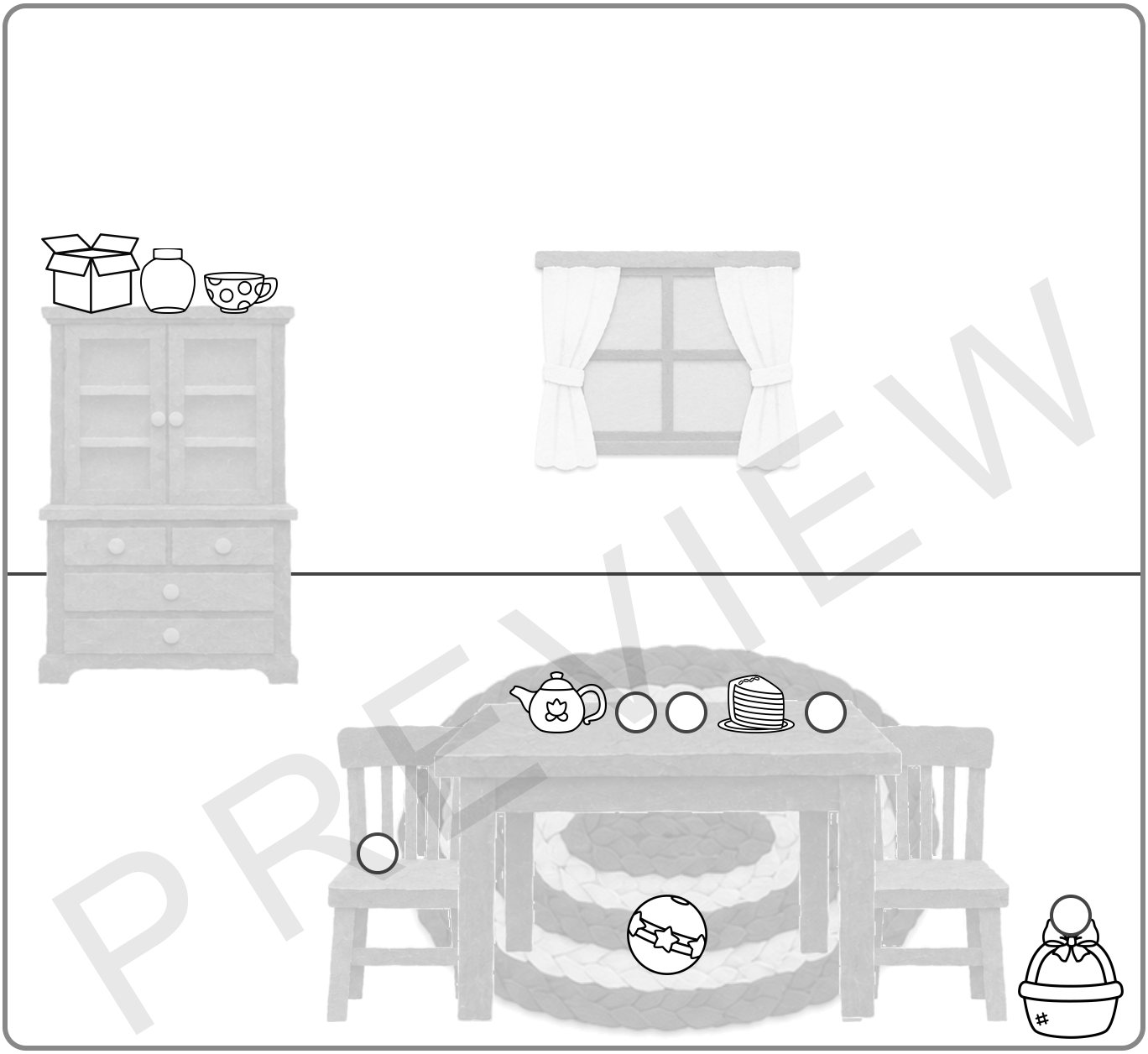
The cat is _____ the dog.

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Dining Room

Listen. Put a counter where I say.



Words to listen for

in | on | under | behind | next to | between | in front of | over | above | below | beside | near | far from | inside | on top of | across from

Now you. Say where something is.

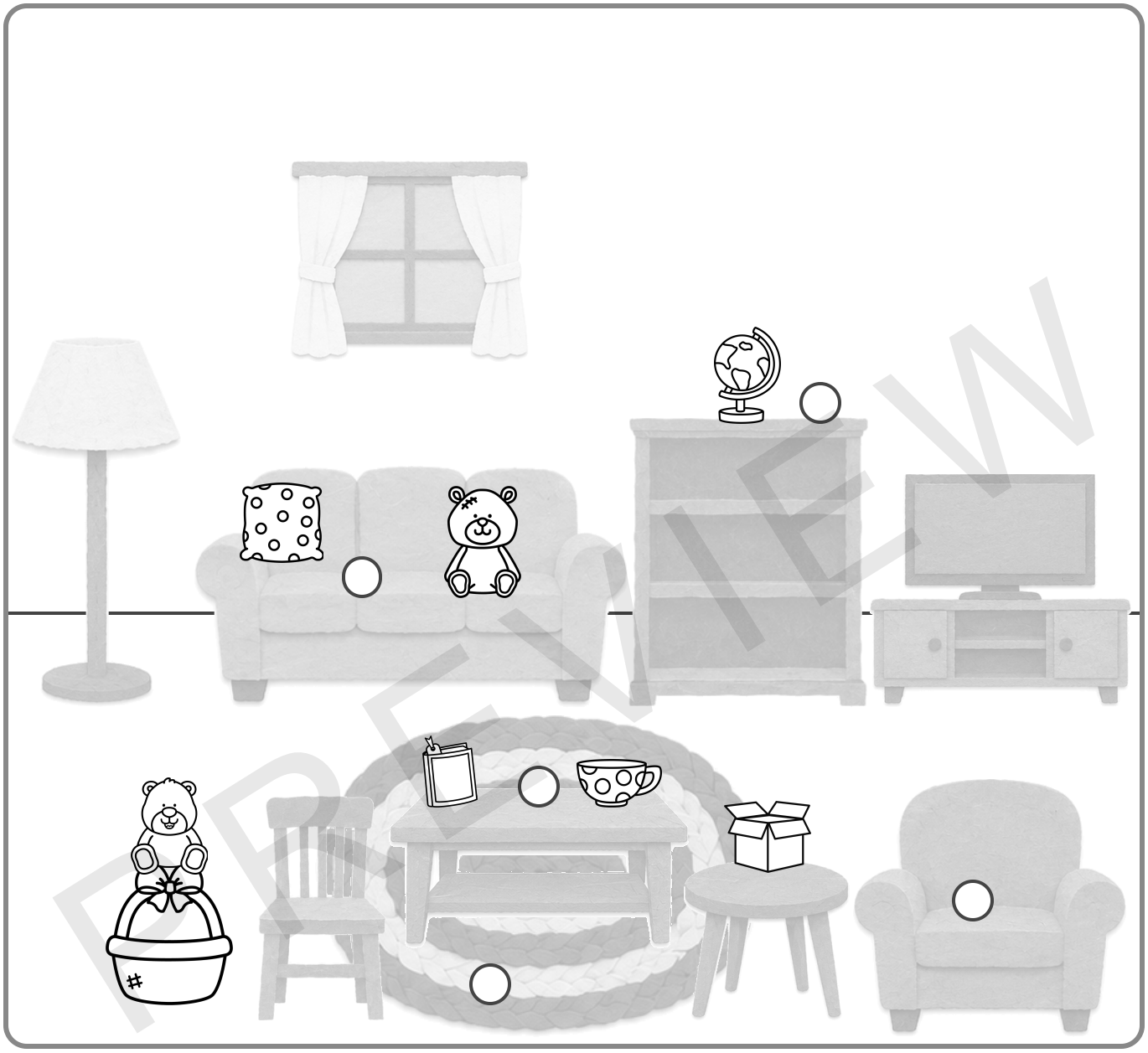
The _____ **is** _____ **the** _____ **.**

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Living Room

Listen. Put a counter where I say.



Words to listen for

in | on | under | behind | next to | between | in front of | over | above | below | beside | near | far from | inside | on top of | across from

Now you. Say where something is.

The _____ **is** _____ **the** _____ **.**

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Data Strip 1: Follow the direction

Name _____

SLP or teacher _____ Dates _____ Materials used _____

Word	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
in										
on										
under										
behind										
next to										
between										
in front of										
over										
above										
below										
beside										
near										
far from										
inside										
on top of										
across from										

My marks. Type any mark you like; this is a suggestion:

+ right away h needed help (a model or a second try) - no try (blank = skipped). My own marks: _____

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Words by Rooms Grid

One box for each word in each room. Put the mark for how the direction went, or the number of directions out of 5.

Name _____

SLP or teacher _____ Dates _____ Materials used _____

Word	Kitchen	Bedroom	Dining	Laundry	Bath	Living	Notes
in							
on							
under							
behind							
next to							
between							
in front of							
over							
above							
below							
beside							
near							
far from							
inside							
on top of							
across from							

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My marks

Use the same marks as the data strips (+, h, -) or a number out of 5. My own marks: _____

A Filled-In Data Strip (Invented Child)

"Sam" is invented. Everything Sam did is made up to show how the boxes are used. It is not a finding.

Strip 2, Say the sentence: what the SLP marked for each word

Word	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	+	h	-
in	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	h	+	9	1	0
on	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	h	h	+	8	2	0
under	+	+	h	+	h	+	+	+	h	+	7	3	0
behind	+	h	+	+	h	-	+	h	+	+	6	3	1
next to	+	+	+	+	h	+	+	+	+	+	9	1	0
between	h	-	h	+	h	-	h	+	h	-	2	5	3
in front of	+	+	h	+	+	+	+	h	+	+	8	2	0
over	h	+	h	-	h	+	h	-	h	+	3	5	2
above	+	h	+	h	+	+	+	h	+	-	6	3	1
below	h	+	+	h	+	+	h	+	h	+	6	4	0
beside	+	+	+	+	+	h	+	+	+	+	9	1	0
near	+	+	+	+	+	+	h	+	+	+	9	1	0
far from	+	h	+	h	-	+	h	+	h	-	4	4	2
inside	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	h	+	+	9	1	0
on top of	+	+	h	+	+	+	h	+	+	+	8	2	0
across from	h	-	h	-	h	+	h	+	h	-	2	5	3

Where each count came from

- in: 10 boxes marked. + in boxes 1-8 and 10 (9), h in box 9 (1), no - marks (0). 10 boxes.
- between: h in boxes 1, 3, 5, 7 and 9 (5), - in boxes 2, 6 and 10 (3), + in boxes 4 and 8 (2). 10 boxes.
- Each row adds up to the 10 boxes in a row. + means right away, h means needed help, - means no try. What the pattern means is for the clinician's own training and the team's own rule; write it on the summary, page 43.

What the SLP wrote in their own words (invented)

- Said the word in every row except between, over and across from.
- Pointed to the right place for between before saying it.
- Asked for the ball card again.

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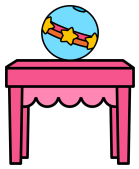
Name _____

At Home

Do it with someone. Fill the box.



in
Put a spoon in a cup. ☐



on
Put a book on the bed. ☐



under
Put a sock under a chair. ☐



behind
Hide a toy behind a door. ☐



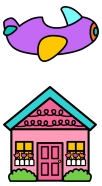
next to
Put a shoe next to a shoe. ☐



between
Put a cup between two bowls. ☐



in front of
Put a toy in front of a door. ☐



over
Hold a spoon over a bowl. ☐

What we did together

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Binder Cover and Divider Tabs

A cover for the child's folder, six divider tabs, and a setup list.

Folder cover and spine label

Student _____ SLP or teacher _____ School year _____

First day _____ Next look date _____

Use it as a folder cover, a binder spine label, or a clipboard cover.

Divider tabs: print and cut

01 Start Here
Three ways to use it.

02 Scenes and Rooms
Sixteen words, six rooms.

03 Cards and Mat
Word cards, cut and place, low-ink.

04 Directions
Say it, move it, draw it.

05 Data and Summary
Strips, counts, an example.

06 Home and Family
Home pages and the note.

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Before the first scene

- Print the scene pages, 5-12, and slip them into sheet protectors.
- Print and laminate the room mats, 15-20, the word cards, pages 13-14, and the mat, page 27.
- Save a copy of this file with the child's name.
- Gather counters, tokens or play dough.
- Print the cover and the six tabs on heavier paper if you have it.
- Put the filled example in the back, so a new provider sees how the boxes are used.