Where Words Work

Teacher-led listening and tracing practice with prepositions.

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.L.1.1i "Use frequently occurring prepositions (e.g., during, beyond, toward)."

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Teacher: this page is run aloud. The script and answers are on the guide page.

1 CIRCLE IT

a	during	toward	beyond
b	beyond	during	toward
c	toward	beyond	during
d	under	between	during

2 TRACE WORDS

toward

during

ANSWER KEY

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HOW TO RUN THIS PAGE

Read each scene, sentence and choices aloud. Children circle the word that fits. Prepositions can tell where or when: We rest after lunch.

Students never read directions on this sheet. Read each part's script aloud, then each prompt, giving think time before students mark.

PART 1 · CIRCLE IT

SAY "Listen to each scene and sentence. I will read the words in the row. Circle the word that fits the scene's meaning."

ROW	SAY	STUDENTS CIRCLE
a	We were still outside the gate and moved closer without reaching it. Complete: "We walked ___ the gate." Choices: during, toward, beyond. Which word means moving closer?	**toward**
b	We saw trees on the far side of the fence, not the fence itself. Complete: "We looked ___ the fence." Choices: beyond, during, toward. Which word means looking past it?	**beyond**
c	Listen: We stayed quiet ___ the show. Read the choices: toward, beyond, during. Which word completes the sentence?	**during**
d	The ball rolled through the gap separating two cones. Complete: "The ball rolled ___ two cones." Choices: under, between, during. Which word fits the gap?	**between**

PART 2 · TRACE WORDS

SAY "Look at the gray word in each box. Can you trace the first word? Can you trace the second word?"

- Box 1: **toward**
- Box 2: **during**

WHAT TO ACCEPT

Circle toward, beyond, during, between. Toward means closer; beyond means past the fence; during names the show's time; between names the cones' gap. Accept recognizable traced toward and during. For another choice, reread the scene and discuss the different meaning.