

Prepositions (Position Words): Behind and in Front

General Advice

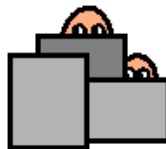
- Gain the child's full attention before giving an instruction.
- Activities should be completed little and often.
- Start by using real objects or people, then move onto using pictures or photos
- Gather together objects that will be useful for working on prepositions e.g. small box, bag, toy animals, action figures, pretend food, toy furniture.
- Use objects that are motivating for the child e.g. their favourite toys/interests
- Teach one preposition at a time until you think the child understands each word on its own.
- Use choices to help the child use prepositions initially e.g. "Did I put the car behind the bricks or in front of the bricks?" The child will then have a model to copy.
- Make the activities fun and use them during the daily routine.
- Remember to give the child a turn to give instructions.

Activities

Outdoor games during outdoor play, in the garden, at the park, in P.E give the child instructions using "behind/in front" e.g. "stand behind the climbing frame", "sit in front of the swing"

Play during play activities model the use of "behind/in front e.g. "the man is in front of the car". Give the child instructions e.g. "put the horse behind the tractor"

Hiding games take turns to hide behind furniture. Talk about where you are hiding e.g. "you're hiding behind the chair"



Daily routine describe/point out things that you see around you e.g. "the dog is in front of the tree" "jack is standing behind you in the line"

