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Topic: Prepositional phrases



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1. I couldn't believe it, there was hardly anyone in the cinema, but this big man came and sat right _____ I couldn't see a thing!

- a) behind me
- b) in front of me
- c) next to me
- d) beside me

2. I felt quite nervous when she said I should sit _____ on the sofa!

- a) next to her
- b) in front of her
- c) behind her
- d) opposite her

3. When we were little at school, we used to sit _____ while the teacher read us a story.

- a) in the floor
- b) on the floor
- c) at the floor
- d) to the floor

4. Could you move your car? You're _____ of the entrance!

- a) on the way
- b) to the way
- c) at the way
- d) in the way

5. How do you feel now you've passed? I bet you feel _____!

- a) on top of the world
- b) behind the world
- c) next to the world
- d) in front of the world

6. I need to get some cash. Do you think we might pass a bank _____?

- a) in the way
- b) to the way
- c) on the way
- d) at the way

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Answers

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- b) in front of me**
- c) next to me
- d) beside me

If someone is *behind* you, they are at the back of you.

Isn't it annoying when a tall person sits *in front of* you in the cinema?

If someone is *next to* you, they are *by your side*.

If someone is *beside* you, they are *next to you* or *by your side*.

2. I felt quite nervous when she said I should sit _____ on the sofa!

- a) next to her
- b) in front of her
- c) behind her
- d) opposite her**

If someone is *next to* you, they are *by your side*.

If someone sits *in front of* you, you are looking at the back of their head.

If someone is *behind* you, they are at the back of you.

If someone is *opposite* you, they are facing or across from you.

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If you are blocking someone's way, you are *in the way* and you should *get out of the way*!

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- a) **on top of the world**
- b) behind the world
- c) next to the world
- d) in front of the world

If you feel wonderful you can say *I feel on top of the world*!

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If you are passing one place whilst going to another place, you pass it *on the way*.

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