Common Prepositions #2

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Prepositions of Location: in, at, and on and No Preposition

IN	\mathbf{AT}	ON	NO
(the) bed*	class*	the bed*	PREPOSITION
the bedroom	home	the ceiling	downstairs
the car	the library*	the floor	downtown
(the) class*	the office	the horse	inside
the library*	school*	the plane	outside
school*	work	the train	upstairs
			uptown

^{*} You may sometimes use different prepositions for these locations.

Prepositions of Movement: to and No Preposition

We use *to* with movement toward a place.

They were driving to work together.

She's going to the dentist's office this morning.

Toward and *towards* are also helpful prepositions to express movement. These are different spellings of the same word; use the one that sounds better to you.

We're moving toward the light.

This is a big step towards the project's completion.

With the words home, downtown, uptown, inside, outside, downstairs, upstairs, we use no preposition.

Grandma went upstairs

Grandpa went home.

They both went outside.