

## Lecture for "From"

Make sure you practice your prepositional phrases every day! They are very important to practice because they correct nouns, pronouns, or phrases. Without them our conversations would very much be simplistic almost to the point of cavemen. Can you imagine always speaking in two-word sentences? It would be silly to speak that way. Also, prepositional phrases help us when we are speaking to express ourselves and our personalities. Expressing your intentions when you are speaking really helps the listener understand you.

Today we are going to discuss the word "from." As a word, "from" is only used as a preposition, or part of a prepositional phrase. Let's look at an example:

- The word "from" can be used as a preposition or as part of a prepositional phrase. An example of this would be:
  - She wanted an apology from the teacher.
    - In this example, the word "from" describes who "she" is wanting the apology to be delivered by.

Remember, Prepositional Phrases include Nouns and link the noun to a pronoun or verb. Let's go over some examples of how the word "from" can be used in Prepositional Phrases.

- "From" can be used to describe who gives, sends, or provides you with something
  - EXAMPLE: You'll have to borrow money from your mother.
- "From" can be used to describe someone's origin. (or something's origin)
  - EXAMPLE: Peter comes from England.
  - EXAMPLE: This piece is from Beethoven's Moonlight Sonata.
- "From" can be used to describe when someone or something is removed.
  - EXAMPLE: Zane grabbed the pen from her hand.
- "From" can be used to describe how far away something is in relation to something else.
  - EXAMPLE: We live a few minutes from the city.
- "From" can be used to describe the result or because of something.
  - EXAMPLE: Her hair was still wet from the beach.
- "From" can be used to describe a range
  - EXAMPLE: Those tickets can cost anywhere from \$25 to \$50
- "From" can be used to describe belonging to a particular organization
  - EXAMPLE: They are from the United Nations.
- "From" can be used to describe where someone was, or what they were doing before they came back
  - EXAMPLE: She got in a car accident when returning from the concert.
- "From" can be used to describe where someone is when they hear, see, or do something.
  - EXAMPLE: When the pandemic hit, he started working from home.
- "From" can be used to describe what was used to make something
  - EXAMPLE: These toys were made with the most durable plastic.
- "From" can be used to describe what something is hanging off, or sticking out of
  - EXAMPLE: The room was divided by a blanket hanging from the ceiling.
- "From" can be used to describe what someone or something was before changing to something else.

- EXAMPLE: Connor has changed from a loud child to a quiet adult.
- “From” can be used to describe what has been prevented or protected against
  - EXAMPLE: His artwork was protected from the weather by a tarp.

There are many different examples of the way “in” can be used in Prepositional Phrases. So, what follows are just a few common examples. Let’s watch a quick video and see if we can count the number of times the word “from” is used, either from itself or as part of a Prepositional Phrase.

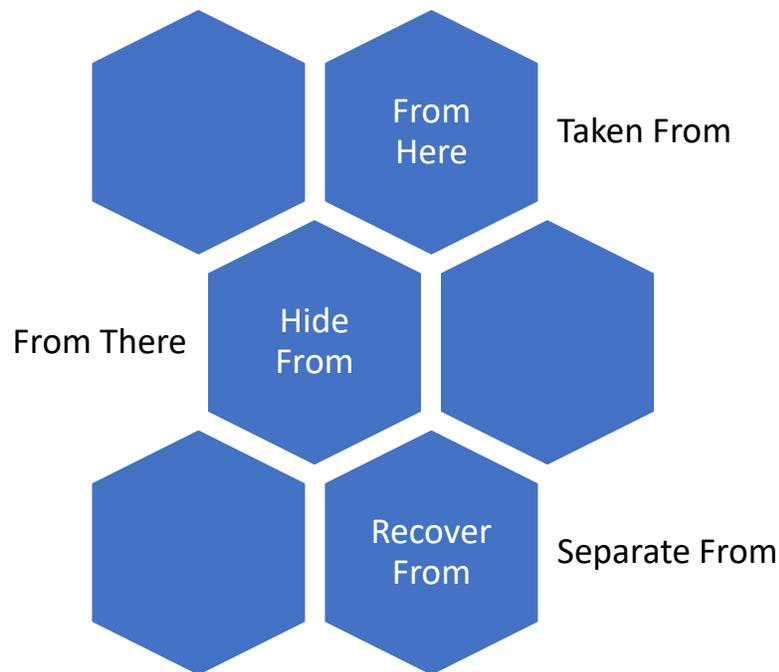
- Watch Video

Okay, how many times was the word “from” used in this video? (The answer is 9 times.)

Let’s look at some of the ways the word “from” was used and what it meant.

- I tend to shy away from all the creatures there.
  - What do you think this sentence means?
  - ANSWER: In this example “from” is used to describe keeping away from creatures.
- We could come back from there by boat.
  - What does “from” in this sentence mean?
  - ANSWER: In this sentence the word “from” is used to describe a place that they are returning from.
- We could keep away from the shore, be on open ocean.
  - What does “from” mean here?
  - ANSWER: Here “from” is used in the sentence as a way to describe how far away from the shore he wants to be.
- Let’s stray from those then.
  - What about this example of “from?”
  - ANSWER: In this sentence “from” is being used as way to describe choosing a different way.
- I have a few friends from Korea.
  - What do you think this sentence means?
  - ANSWER: In this example “from” is used to describe where her friends originate.
- I’ll reach out to them and hear from them where the best places to visit are.
  - What does “from” in this sentence mean?
  - ANSWER: In this sentence the word “from” is used to describe listening to what her friends have to say.
- We could take a lot from a trip there.
  - What does “from” mean here?
  - ANSWER: Here “from” is used in the sentence as an idiom used to describe gaining something.
- What would you get from it?
  - What about this example of “from?”
  - ANSWER: In this sentence “from” is being used as a way of gaining something.
- We’ll stay away from learning spaces.
  - What do you think this sentence means?
  - ANSWER: In this example “from” is used to describe a place they want to avoid.

Excellent work! Let's take a look at the following Prepositional Phrases using the word "from." Can you use each of them in a new or different sentence? Can you describe what each prepositional phrase means or is describing in your sentences?



Great Job! Let's go over some of these common phrases and sayings and see if you can tell me what the sentence means.

- She suffers from seasonal allergies.
  - What do you think this sentence means?
  - ANSWER: In this sentence the word "from" is used to describe what she is suffering
- What do you expect from me?
  - What does "from" in this sentence mean?
  - ANSWER: In this sentence the word "from" is used to ask what is expected.
- You are forbidden from ever seeing him again.
  - What does "from" mean here?
  - ANSWER: Here "from" is used in the sentence as a way to deny someone something.
- They were prevented from entering the building.
  - What about this example of "from?"
  - ANSWER: In this sentence "from" is being used as a way to deny entrance to a building
- I need you to choose from these options.
  - What do you think this sentence means?
  - ANSWER: In this sentence the word "from" is used as a way to show what options someone has.
- When will you graduate from University?
  - What does "from" in this sentence mean?
  - ANSWER: In this sentence the word "from" is used to describe where someone will graduate.

- I need you to refrain from humming in the car.
  - What does “from” mean here?
  - ANSWER: Here “from” is used in the sentence to describe not doing something.
- Does Spiderman always rescue her from the bad guys?
  - What about this example of “from?”
  - ANSWER: In this sentence “from” is being used to question who she is being taken by.
- Hannah did not resign from her job.
  - What do you think this sentence means?
  - ANSWER: In this sentence the word “from” is used to describe not leaving her job or quitting her job.
- You differ from me in that regard.
  - What does “from” in this sentence mean?
  - ANSWER: In this sentence the word “from” is used to compare two people.