



There Is No Time for Space.

One serene and vivid day,
Space and Time went out to play.
Time said, "Look, when I say go, you zip around."
ZOOOOooooom!!! went Space,
around a tree, under a slide, over the sandbox,
near the swing, through the pipe,
and beside the seesaw.
"No," said Time, "you went before the signal."
With an incredulous countenance, Space waited....
"Now go...and now stop!" said Time.
ZOOOOOOooooom! went Space,
over the sandbox, under the swing, down the slide,
through the swing, into the pipe, out the other side,
and beside Time.
"No," remonstrated Time, "you went after the stop signal."
With a melancholy visage, Space waited....
"Go!" said Time.
ZOOOOOOooooom! went Space,
around the sandbox, across the swing, up the slide,
over the pipe, beside the seesaw, near the tree,
and POOF! back to Time.
"Very good!" said Time,
but Space did not hear him;
he was prodigiously tired.



Somewhere, **OVER** the rainbow...

Did you notice that each preposition
begins a little word group?

...**ON** the sidewalk

...**AT** the cafe

...**AROUND** the corner

...**FOR** him and her

That is why prepositions are called *prepositions*—

because they are

in the **PRE** position of the group.

This little group of words is called
a prepositional *PHRASE*.

We will study them in more detail
later in the book.

The preposition is in the **PRE** position,
and the noun or pronoun at the end
is called the **OBJECT** of the preposition,
so if it is a pronoun, it is usually an object pronoun.

The bicycle rolled down the sidewalk.

prep. adj. n.
 obj. of prep.

~~~~~prepositional phrase~~~~~