



Place Prepositions

Examples of Prepositions in Use

- I play football next to the house.
- The football is under the table.
- The football is between the cones.
- I play football in front of the school.
- The football is behind the chair.
- The football goes over the wall.

Grammar Chart

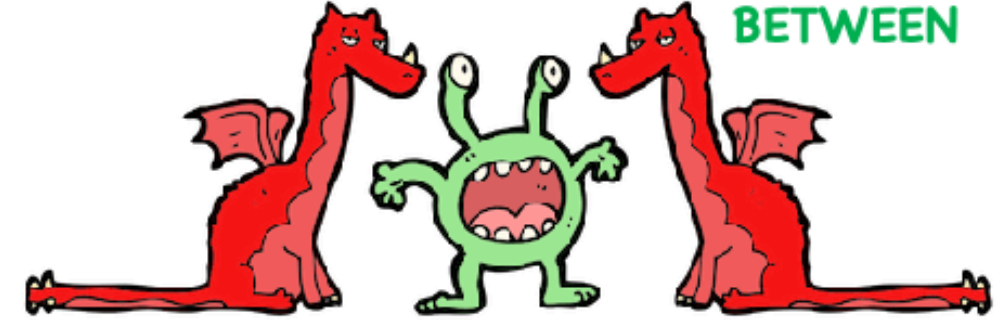
Grammar chart with illustrations of an alien and dragons demonstrating the use of prepositions of place such as next to, between, opposite, in front of, behind, above, over, and under.

NEXT TO / BESIDE



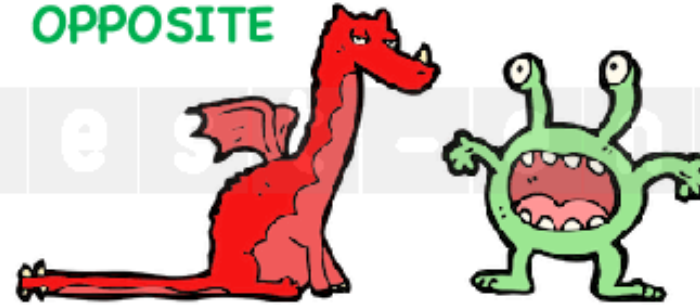
The alien is **next to/beside** the dragon.

BETWEEN



The alien is **between** the dragons.

OPPOSITE



The alien is **opposite** the dragon.

IN FRONT OF

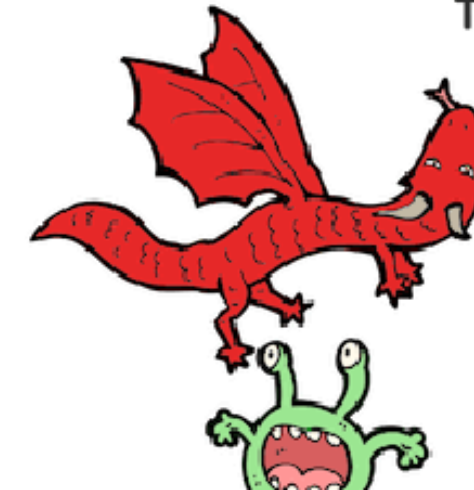
BEHIND



The alien is **in front of** the dragon.
The dragon is **behind** the alien.

ABOVE / OVER

The dragon is **above/over** the alien.



UNDER

The alien is **under** the dragon.

Next to / Beside

- We had a picnic next to/beside the river.
- Come and sit next to/beside me.

Between

- I live in a small town between Liverpool and Manchester.
- She is sleeping between her mum and dad.

In front of

- John sits in front of me in class.
- You are always in front of the mirror.

Behind

- She is hiding behind the curtains.
- We hang our coats behind the door.

Opposite

- I live opposite the supermarket (=on the other side of the road)
- I am sitting opposite him (=facing him)

Under

- The cat is hiding under the bed.
- Why are your shoes under the table?
- I'm wearing a white shirt under the jersey.

Above / Over

- Above and over mean 'at or to a higher position'. Over is more common.
- She lives in an apartment above/over the grocery store.
- There is a shelf above/over the sink.