

Read and Discover

Modern photography began in the 1830s.
Photographs gave people a new view of the world.

Which of the boldfaced prepositional phrases gives more information about a noun? _____

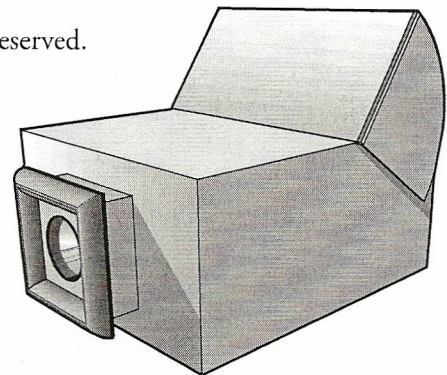
A prepositional phrase can modify, or tell more about, a noun or pronoun. Prepositional phrases that modify nouns or pronouns are called **adjectival prepositional phrases**. An adjectival prepositional phrase usually comes after the noun or pronoun it modifies.

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Part 1

Underline each adjectival prepositional phrase. Circle the noun it tells about. A sentence may have more than one adjectival prepositional phrase. Be careful! Not all the prepositional phrases in these sentences modify nouns or pronouns.

1. The man in the cloak holds a small box.
2. One side of the box has a hole in it.
3. He chooses an interesting scene near him and points the hole there.
4. Light rays enter the tiny hole in the dark box.
5. Inside the box the rays create a perfect miniature image of the scene.
6. This special dark box, a camera obscura, was an invention of the 1500s.
7. However, scientists in that era lacked knowledge of chemical processes.
8. Without that knowledge, film for the camera obscura could not be invented.
9. In the 1720s, Johann Schulze, a scientist from Germany, made an important discovery.
10. Exposure to light turns some chemicals dark.
11. Schulze's discovery made the invention of photographic film possible.
12. The images inside the camera obscura could be captured and preserved.
13. Louis Daguerre, often called the inventor of photography, publicized his photographic process widely.
14. But William Henry Talbot's process became the model for modern photography.
15. Using Talbot's process, a photographer could create many copies of a single photograph.
16. By 1888, a Kodak camera from George Eastman made photography accessible to anyone.



Artists often used images in a camera obscura to help them make sketches of large objects.