

## Nouns as Objects of Prepositions

A noun used as the **object of a preposition** follows the preposition, though there may be modifiers of the noun coming between it and the preposition. To find the object, ask *Whom?* or *What?* after the preposition.

**Example:** The boys went under the bridge.  
(*Bridge* is the noun used as the object of the preposition.)

**Directions:** Underline the prepositional phrase(s), and circle the object of the preposition.

1. Papier-mâché is a mixture of paper and glue.
2. Traditional papier-mâché involves tearing paper into small pieces.
3. The mixture can be placed into a mold or built up on a frame.
4. The frame has the skeletal shape of the object being made.
5. Papier-mâché can also be made by tearing paper into small squares and coating each piece with glue.
6. The pieces can be pasted on cardboard, metal, wood, or other surfaces.
7. After papier-mâché has dried and hardened, its surface can be smoothed with sandpaper and painted.
8. Papier-mâché was probably developed by the Chinese during ancient times.
9. In the 1600's, the French became the first Europeans to use papier-mâché.
10. The English became noted for the beautiful furniture they made with the material during the 1800's.