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across the yard

down the ladder

on my head

in the cupboard

up the tree

around the corner

at the door

off the chair

without a coat

1. I saw six hippos run \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Have you ever seen a giraffe \_\_\_\_\_?
3. There is an extra large pepperoni pizza \_\_\_\_\_.
4. Please keep your feet \_\_\_\_\_.
5. The mail carrier left the package \_\_\_\_\_.
6. Several lizards crawled \_\_\_\_\_.
7. She carefully climbed \_\_\_\_\_.
8. Look, there's a monkey \_\_\_\_\_!
9. He left his shoes \_\_\_\_\_.

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