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Prepositional Insights

Directions: Read each short literary excerpt below. Underline every use of **between** and **among**, then explain its meaning in context. Determine whether it refers to a relationship involving two or more than two people, objects, or ideas.



Excerpt 1: The path wound between two silent hills, where fog rested like a sleeping ghost. The sound of distant bells drifted among the trees, as if the forest itself were whispering secrets.

Explain: _____

Excerpt 2: She sat among the crowd, unnoticed but aware of every movement and word. There was a thin line between courage and fear, and she could feel herself standing right on it.

Explain: _____

Excerpt 3: The sunlight filtered between the slats of the old barn, painting stripes across the dusty floor. A family of sparrows fluttered among the rafters, their songs weaving through the air.

Explain: _____

Excerpt 4: He sensed tension between his two closest friends, a silence that had grown heavy with time. Yet among the larger group, laughter drowned the unease, covering it like a thin layer of snow.

Explain: _____
