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The prepositional choice before which depends on the phrasal verb, the meaning of the sentence, and whether you are referring to a place, time, thing, or action. Rearranging the sentence is the simplest way to determine the correct preposition.

In Which

- Use in which to add detail and precision.
 - **Example:** The people **in which** I trust this information do not seem to think they're worth my trust.
 - **Explanation:** You trust in the people.

Of Which

- Use of which when the verb or phrase includes of.
 - **Example:** The people **of which** you speak are not here today.
 - **Explanation:** You speak of people who are not here today.

At Which

- Use at which for times, events, and specific locations.
 - **Example:** The venue **at which** we will meet later today is just here.
 - **Explanation:** We will meet at the venue that is just here later today.

To Which

- Use to which for movement, especially with travel verbs such as drive, walk, run, fly, etc.
 - **Example:** The place **to which** they drove was quite spectacular.
 - **Explanation:** They drove to a quite spectacular place.

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From Which

- Use from which when referring to a starting point or place of origin.
 - **Example:** The hotel is just over there, **from which** you can travel around the country.
 - **Explanation:** You can travel from the hotel to many places.

After Which

- Use after which to show what follows directly after the previous event.
 - **Example:** I went to the store, after which I went back home.
 - **Explanation:** One action happened, after which another action followed.

Synonyms for “After Which”

- following that
- after that
- then
- afterward
- next
- as soon as that finished
- once that happened
- subsequently
- consequently

Term	in which	of which	at which	to which	from which	after which
Meaning	found in	spoke of	attend at	climb to	return from	happened after