

Insert the necessary preposition

1. I don't like his habit ____ making people wait.
1. He used the bad weather as an excuse ____ not coming.
2. What are the advantages ____ living in the town?
3. There's no way ____ making my father see reason.
4. What are your reasons ____ leaving the job?
5. We had difficulty ____ finding a parking.
6. We came to the island in the hope ____ finding a simpler way of life.
7. He got into the building ____ being noticed.
8. The child occupied himself ____ playing video games.
9. They exchanged a final kiss ____ parting.
10. He learnt English ____ listening to the radio.
11. The climbers are a day late ____ coming down from the mountain and the authorities are beginning to have fears for their safety.
12. If you suffer from back pain, consult your doctor ____ attempting this exercise.
13. How are you? 'Fine and all the better ____ seeing you'.
14. It said a lot for the manager that the team remained confident ____ losing.
15. He has applied for parole ____ serving seven years of a 23-year sentence.
16. Lewis stopped off in Jamaica ____ flying into Toronto.
17. You can call up the lift ____ pushing this button.
18. Alec walked right by me ____ even saying hello.
19. You must ask permission ____ taking any photographs inside the church.

20. Stephen was arrested at Heathrow ____ flying from Brussels airport.
21. Don't spoil your appetite ____ eating sweets between meals.
22. We were advised to boil the water ____ drinking it.
23. The teacher told him off ____ answering back all the time.
24. Anyone with an ounce of common sense would have checked their tyres ____ driving all that way.
25. I was so annoyed with him ____ turning up late that I couldn't speak to him for half an hour.
26. Animals are distinguished from plants ____ obtaining their nourishment from other living organisms or their remains.
27. I'd like to answer your question ____ posing another one.
28. She's very clever ____ imitating her Irish accent.
29. I'm not accustomed ____ being treated like this.
30. I wasn't keen ____ going there on my own.