

Grammar 3A

Verb patterns: verbs followed by prepositions

Match the two parts of the sentences.

- 1 That night I'd dreamed
 - 2 When we left the house someone was waiting
 - 3 He reminded me
 - 4 It was obvious he'd been spying
 - 5 He pretended not to notice when I stared
 - 6 I'm sure he was talking
 - 7 We jumped into a taxi and succeeded
 - 8 When I arrived at the meeting I apologised
 - 9 We all wondered how much they knew
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- a on us.
 - b in losing him.
 - c about being followed.
 - d for me across the road.
 - e of a detective from an old film.
 - f about us on his mobile.
 - g at him.
 - h about our plans.
 - i for being late.

Grammar 3B

Verb patterns: verbs followed by prepositions

Complete the sentences with the correct prepositions.
Use the same preposition twice in each question.

- 1 This meat doesn't taste _____ anything.
It reminds me _____ the food we used to eat at school.
- 2 I had very strict teachers. Most of them would shout _____ us when we misbehaved, but one of them was so scary that he just stared _____ us and we would be quiet.
- 3 I applied _____ a job I saw on the internet three weeks ago, and I'm still waiting _____ an answer.
- 4 We spent so much time last night talking _____ UFOs, that when I went to sleep I dreamed _____ them!

- 5 I know you don't believe _____
reincarnation, but there's no point us arguing about it
because you won't succeed _____ changing
my opinion.
- 6 Now the children are older, we don't rely
_____ my parents to look after them when
we're at work. Sometimes they pick them up from
school though – it depends _____ whether I
have to work late.