

VOCABULARY BOOSTER

A1 Look at the highlighted verbs and prepositions in the text on page 128.
Can the verbs be followed by any other prepositions?

VERBS + PREPOSITIONS

A2 Now complete sentences 1-10 with the correct form of the verbs in the box.

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1. We need two more players for the game. Will you and Bruce _____ in?
2. Linda _____ some boots **from** her older sister for the match.
3. Sid _____ **at** the clock and saw that there was only one minute left until half time.
4. You will be _____ **with** athletes from seven other countries for the cup.
5. The lifeguard _____ Rebecca **from** the shark just in time.
6. Let's go and _____ Cheryl **on** winning the race.
7. The coach _____ the team **for** all their hard work.
8. His careless behaviour _____ **in** the boat overturning and all the athletes but one falling out.
9. We should _____ **towards** camp before it gets too dark.
10. Pauline has really _____ **from** all the training. Her game is much better now.

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B1 Look at the highlighted noun and preposition in text 2 on page 129.
Can you think of any other nouns followed by prepositions?

NOUNS + PREPOSITIONS

B2 Now read sentences 1-9 and choose the correct prepositions.

1. There's no comparison **in / between / with** the two players. Rooney is much more experienced and skilled.
2. Opponents **to / of / at** the suggested scheme are invited to present their arguments in the meeting.
3. Greg is not a good influence **on / to / for** the other boys. They've been turning up late for training all this week.
4. There's a lack **about / from / of** enthusiasm for this competition. Why is that?
5. There's a need **between / for / of** more discipline in this team.
6. Sharon is an exception **of / from / to** the rule. She trains better on her own.
7. He needs special attention, so we hired Patrick, who is a specialist **in / with / of** training boxers.
8. John has a reputation **with / for / about** losing his temper when things don't go his way.
9. Can you give me some advice **on / of / with** what kind of trainers to get?

Read the texts below. For questions (1-10) choose the correct answer (A, B, C or D).

NATIONAL OLYMPIC COMMITTEE OF UKRAINE



The National Olympic Committee of Ukraine has created a comprehensive network for the (1) _____ of sport and athletic education. The committee has offices in every region of Ukraine and encourages (2) _____ in sport through a variety of projects. For example, the Olympic Lesson project, begun by the committee in 2005, provides sports education at over 40 different sports (3) _____ and gives participants the chance to talk to famous Ukrainian Olympians. Another project, the Olympic Stork project, has been designed to encourage young people to become more involved in (4) _____ education and sports. Through their school, every Ukrainian 5th- and 6th-grade student takes (5) _____ in the programme, which includes competitions as well as educational presentations. Also, over 20,000 schools have been provided with equipment and sports literature through the committee's Olympic Book and Olympic Corner projects. And these are only some of the various projects launched by the National Olympic Committee of Ukraine.

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| 1. A. description | B. promotion | C. defence | D. competition |
| 2. A. workout | B. training | C. employment | D. participation |
| 3. A. venues | B. rinks | C. locations | D. tracks |
| 4. A. outdoor | B. intensive | C. individual | D. physical |
| 5. A. place | B. priority | C. part | D. position |

Bionic boots

Have you ever wished you (6) _____ run faster than you do? Would you wear a pair of bionic boots if they (7) _____ you do exactly that?

Keahi Seymour has always been fascinated by running speed. As a teenager, his dream was to experience what it's like to run as fast as a cheetah, the fastest land animal, which can reach a speed of 96 kph. After years of research and hard work, he saw his dream approaching (8) _____ with his invention of the 'bionic boots'. When you wear these boots, you (9) _____ speeds of up to 40 kph. Seymour believes that with some modifications his invention will enable us to overtake even the fastest land animals.

Well, (10) _____ this ever comes true, no one will run late ever again!

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| 6. A. can | B. could | C. had | D. would |
| 7. A. will help | B. had helped | C. help | D. helped |
| 8. A. reality | B. real | C. really | D. unreal |
| 9. A. have reached | B. could reach | C. can reach | D. reached |
| 10. A. if only | B. if | C. unless | D. as if |

