

- 4) The ticket is valid for travel inside/over/throughout the day.
- 5) The building won't be finished for/to/until next year.
- 6) There will be a limited bus service in/over/while the holiday weekend.
- 7) The shops close among/between/from one to two o'clock.
- 8) There had been a period of heavy rain close to/over/ prior to the accident.
- 9) My grandfather was killed during/inside/throughout the war.
- 10) We have to complete our assignment by/through/until 15 June.

**9. Complete each sentence with a suitable word or phrase from the box.**

according to	because of	instead of	apart from	by means of
in favour of	on behalf of	as for	in case of	regardless of

- 1) I think I'd rather have coffee ..... tea.
- 2) ..... the danger, Paul ran back into the burning house.
- 3) ..... fire, smash the glass and push the button.
- 4) Personally, I am ..... banning cigarette smoking completely!
- 5) I would like to thank you, ..... everyone who was rescued.
- 6) ..... you, no-one else knows that I have escaped.
- 7) ..... Steve, he believes that we should stay where we are.
- 8) Jim managed to climb into the house ..... a ladder he found.
- 9) ..... the rain, the match was postponed.
- 10) ..... the timetable, the next train isn't for two hours.

**10. Complete each sentence with a suitable phrase from the box.**

by heart	in difficulties	out of work	by sight	in pain
in two	on sale		without a doubt	

- 1) When I sat on the pencil, it broke .....
- 2) This is ..... the best washing machine on the market.
- 3) Graham has been ..... ever since he came to London.
- 4) I know her ....., but I don't know her name.
- 5) The lifeguard dived in to save a swimmer .....
- 6) John learned his first speech .....
- 7) You could tell he was ..... because he kept groaning.
- 8) Cigarettes and ice cream are ..... in the foyer.

**11. Sue is writing to an old school friend telling her about a visit she has just had. Fill in the missing prepositions.**

Dear Jill,

You'll never forget who has just been visiting me! Mary Bruce! I was (1)

\_\_\_\_\_ the garden (2) \_\_\_\_\_ Sunday morning when the phone went, and it was Mary. She's over (3) \_\_\_\_\_ Canada (4) \_\_\_\_\_ two months. Remember, she went out there (5) \_\_\_\_\_ 1980 as a nurse and she hasn't been back (6) \_\_\_\_\_ then. Her mother is ill, so she's going to look after her (7) \_\_\_\_\_ a while. So, she came over (8) \_\_\_\_\_ Sunday afternoon and has been staying (9) \_\_\_\_\_ me (10) \_\_\_\_\_ the past two days. She's just left. We stayed up each night (11) \_\_\_\_\_ two (12) \_\_\_\_\_ the morning talking! She told me all (13) \_\_\_\_\_ her life and how she couldn't get a job (14) \_\_\_\_\_ two months when she first went out there.

But then she got a super job (15) \_\_\_\_\_ a big hospital and she's been there (16) \_\_\_\_\_ the last 12 years. At first she had to work (17) \_\_\_\_\_ night, but now she works (18) \_\_\_\_\_ nine (19) six, and she never works (20) \_\_\_\_\_ weekends. She's very lucky only working (21) \_\_\_\_\_ the day. It would be terrific if the three of us could meet. Are you free (22) \_\_\_\_\_ Friday 15<sup>th</sup>? We could all meet (23) \_\_\_\_\_ the morning and go off (24) \_\_\_\_\_ lunch somewhere. Give me a buzz (25) \_\_\_\_\_ seven any evening. That's when I finish work.

Looking forward to hearing from you.

Sue

#### 12. Fill in: *in, on or at*.

A footballer's life starts (1) ..... the weekend. Most people go out (2) ..... Friday night, but I have to be in bed (3) ..... 10 o'clock. (4) ..... Saturday I get up (5) ..... 8 o'clock (6) ..... the morning and drive to the stadium (7) ..... noon. (8) ..... lunchtime our manager talks about the team we are playing. We play most of our games (9) ..... the winter and sometimes it can be hard to play (10) ..... a cold Saturday afternoon, especially (11) ..... January. It isn't much fun (12) ..... Christmas either. We play a lot of games (13) ..... the Christmas holiday. Although we don't play (14) ..... Christmas Day, we do play (15) ..... December 26<sup>th</sup>, so I can't eat or drink too much! It would be nice to spend more time with my family (16) ..... that day, but I can't.

#### 13. Fill in with: *by, by the time, until/till or at*.

When I went out last Saturday I told my father I'd be back (1) ..... 1 o'clock at the latest. However, I was having such a good time that I didn't even look at my watch (2) ..... 2:30! (3) ..... I found a taxi to take me home it had gone 3 o'clock, and I finally arrived home (4) ..... 3:30. My father was furious and told me I'd have to be home (5) ..... 7 o'clock every night of the week (6) ..... the end of the month!

#### 14. Fill in with: *within, after, afterwards or from ... to/until/till*.

I'm in trouble with my history teacher. He gave us a project to finish (1) ..... a week, and I haven't even started it yet. I was going to do it (2) .....