

EXERCISES

PREPOSITIONS

A Complete the sentences with the correct preposition.

- 1 We keep all sorts of rubbish the attic.
- 2 Should I invest property?
- 3 Many local people protested the new building.
- 4 I could see some people the distance.
- 5 The library provides access thousands of books.
- 6 In the morning, the car was covered snow.

B Choose the correct preposition.

- 1 They bought the house *for / as* an investment.
- 2 There's still a pay gap *between / into* men and women.
- 3 I'm praying *for / with* a fine day tomorrow.
- 4 He settled *for / in* Birmingham after the war.
- 5 There is a serious shortage *of / for* housing.
- 6 The shops are a short distance *of / from* here.

WORD FAMILIES

C Complete the expressions with the correct form of the word in bold.

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| 1 pay £40 for the heating | it's expensive to |
| 2 sleep in separate beds | her parents are now |
| 3 buy new tiles for the kitchen | the floor is |
| 4 prices here are affordable | we can't these prices |
| 5 she envies her sister | be of somebody |
| 6 a good investment for the future | want to in property |
| 7 the business is failing | the business ended in |
| 8 immigrants have settled here | a rise in |

COLLOCATIONS

D Complete the sentences with the correct noun from the verbs in brackets. Look up the verbs if you need help.

- 1 I'm disappointed by his to follow my advice. (fail)
- 2 There was a big crowd of outside the school. (protest)
- 3 European started to arrive in 1793. (settle)
- 4 We want to attract foreign (invest)
- 5 We had a bad the last time we went there. (experience)

E Match the two halves of the collocations. Look up the nouns (a-e) if you need help.

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| 1 affordable | a) housing |
| 2 the central | b) rate |
| 3 the divorce | c) conflict |
| 4 a long-term | d) heating |
| 5 armed | e) investment |

F Complete the collocations with nouns from the unit.

- 1 a ladder to get into the a_ _ _ c
- 2 a flood in the b_ _ _ _ _ t
- 3 a rise in p_ _ _ _ _ y prices
- 4 a drop in the crime r_ _ e
- 5 a sharp rise in i_ _ _ _ _ n
- 6 a fascinating e_ _ _ _ _ e
- 7 a serious s_ _ _ _ _ e of housing
- 8 within walking d_ _ _ _ _ e
- 9 pick up your l_ _ _ _ r
- 10 turn the h_ _ _ _ _ g up

G Match the adjectives from the unit in the box with the definitions.

filthy run-down dead isolated separate rising

- 1 far away from other buildings, shops, towns etc.
- 2 not very lively
- 3 extremely dirty
- 4 getting bigger in number, size, or value
- 5 not together or joined to each other
- 6 not in good condition