

A

Verb + of

accuse / suspect somebody **OF** ...

- ☐ Sue **accused** me **of** being selfish.
- ☐ Some students were **suspected of** cheating in the exam.

approve / disapprove OF ...

- ☐ His parents don't **approve of** what he does, but they can't stop him.

die OF or FROM an illness etc.

- ☐ 'What did he **die of**?' 'A heart attack.'

consist OF ...

- ☐ We had an enormous meal. It **consisted of** seven courses.

B

Verb + for

pay (somebody) **FOR** ...

- ☐ I didn't have enough money to **pay for** the meal. (*not pay the meal*)
- but pay a bill / a fine / a fee / tax / rent / a sum of money etc. (no preposition)*
- ☐ I didn't have enough money to **pay the rent**.

thank / forgive somebody **FOR** ...

- ☐ I'll never **forgive** them **for** what they did.

apologise (TO somebody) FOR ...

- ☐ When I realised I was wrong, I **apologised (to them) for** my mistake.

blame somebody/something **FOR** ... , somebody is **to blame FOR** ...

- ☐ Everybody **blamed** me **for** the accident.
- ☐ Everybody said that I was **to blame for** the accident.

blame (a problem etc.) **ON** ...

- ☐ The accident wasn't my fault. Don't **blame** it **on** me.

C

Verb + from

suffer FROM an illness etc.

- ☐ There's been an increase in the number of people **suffering from** heart disease.

protect somebody/something **FROM**

- ☐ Sun block **protects** the skin **from** the sun.

D

Verb + on

depend / rely ON ...

- ☐ 'What time will you be home?' 'I don't know. It **depends on** the traffic.'
- ☐ You can **rely on** Anna. She always keeps her promises.

You can use **depend + when/where/how** etc. with or without **on**:

- ☐ 'Are you going to buy it?' 'It **depends how much** it is.' (*or It depends on how much*)

live ON money/food

- ☐ Michael's salary is very low. It isn't enough to **live on**.

congratulate / compliment somebody **ON** ...

- ☐ I **congratulated** her **on** doing so well in her exams.
- ☐ The meal was really good. I **complimented** Mark **on** his cooking skills.

- 1 Some students were suspected _____ of cheating in the exam.
- 2 Are you going to apologise _____ what you did?
- 3 The apartment consists _____ three rooms, a kitchen and bathroom.
- 4 I was accused _____ lying, but I was telling the truth.
- 5 We finished our meal, paid _____ the bill, and left the restaurant.
- 6 The accident was my fault, so I had to pay _____ the repairs.
- 7 Some people are dying _____ hunger, while others eat too much.
- 8 I called Helen to thank her _____ the present she sent me.
- 9 The government is popular. Most people approve _____ what they're doing.
- 10 Do you blame the government _____ the economic situation?
- 11 When something goes wrong, you always blame it _____ other people.

- 1 Sue said that I was selfish.
Sue accused me of being selfish
- 2 The misunderstanding was my fault, so I apologised.
I apologised
- 3 Jane won the tournament, so I congratulated her.
I congratulated
- 4 He has enemies, and he has a bodyguard to protect him.
He has a bodyguard to protect
- 5 There are eleven players in a football team.
A football team consists
- 6 Sandra eats only bread and eggs.
Sandra lives
- 7 You can't say that your problems are my fault.
You can't blame

1 His parents don't approve of what he does, but they can't stop him.

2 When you went to the theatre with Paul, who paid for the tickets?

3 It's not pleasant when you are forced to do something you didn't do.

4 We hope to go to the beach tomorrow, but it depends on the weather.

5 Things are cheap there. You can get away with very little money.

6 You were rude to Lisa. I think you should apologise to her.

7 Alex suffers from back pain. He spends too much time working at his desk.

8 When I saw David, I saw him passing his driving test.

- 1 I'll never forgive them for what they did.
- 2 They wore warm clothes to protect themselves from the cold.
- 3 You know you can always rely on me if you need any help.
- 4 Sophie doesn't have enough money to pay for her college fees.
- 5 She's often unwell. She suffers from very bad headaches.
- 6 I don't know whether I'll go out tonight. It depends on how I feel.
- 7 She hasn't got a job. She depends on her parents for money.
- 8 My usual breakfast consists of fruit, cereal and coffee.
- 9 I complimented her on her English. She spoke really well.