

Prepositions

Appendix 1

12 a. Fill in the correct preposition, then explain the phrases.

- 1 Ann has been **absent** work for two weeks.
- 2 It has taken Mark a long time to become **accustomed** the Australian climate.
- 3 They **accused** him stealing the car.
- 4 We need to **agree** a time to meet.
- 5 He **apologised** Mary being late last night.
- 6 Emma has **applied** Leeds University a place on the History course.
- 7 Some people don't **approve** the council's plan to build a new shopping centre in town.
- 8 The old man was **begging** food.
- 9 Do you **believe** magic?
- 10 Rob has been **busy** the redecorating all week.

13 Fill in the correct prepositions. Then choose any five phrases and make up sentences using them.

- 1 the ordinary; 2 scratch; 3 the countryside;
- 4 to expect sth sb;
- 5 the winter; 6 to appeal sb; 7 to live a tree top; 8 to become short space; 9 an extension his home;
- 10 to convince people sth; 11 the benefits sth; 12 suitable sth;
- 13 to suffer hay fever; 14 fear heights

- 14** a. Replace the words in bold with the appropriate phrasal verb formed with *break* or *bring*.
- 1 My computer has **stopped working**. (= *broken down*)
 - 2 My favourite band have just **released** their new album.
 - 3 Schools **finish** for the summer holidays tomorrow.
 - 4 She was **raised** by her grandma.
 - 5 The burglars **entered by force** and stole all our valuables.
 - 6 A fire **began suddenly** on the second floor of the building.
 - 7 Visiting my old neighbourhood always **makes me recall** memories of family holidays.
 - 8 The two countries **ended** diplomatic relations with each other two years ago.

Idioms & Fixed Phrases

- 17** Fill in the correct colour(s). Then explain the phrases formed with the words in bold. Are there similar phrases in your language?



- 1 Sophie goes to the cinema **once in a**
moon. She doesn't like it much.
- 2 Jack fell down the stairs and he is and
..... all over.
- 3 Angela definitely has **fingers** – everything
in her garden grows really well.
- 4 He **is a bit** – he hasn't got much
experience in this kind of work.
- 5 They knew that if she found out the truth it would
hurt her feelings so they told her a **little**
..... **lie**.
- 6 She doesn't want to say anything until she has seen
the facts in and

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a. Underline the correct preposition, then explain the phrases in bold.

- 1 Julie is **capable of/for** doing it on her own.
- 2 You can **depend to/on** Simon. He's very reliable.
- 3 He shouldn't **comment on/to** that when he doesn't know all of the facts.
- 4 It was very unfair that Paul ~~was~~ **dismissed from/of** his job.
- 5 The criminal has been **charged for/with** burglary.
- 6 They're always **complaining of/about** something.
- 7 Children are very **curious for/about** the world they live in.
- 8 Julian is very serious and **dedicated to/at** his work.
- 9 She is finding it difficult to **concentrate on/to** her studies.
- 10 Sally is amazing. I don't know how she **cope with/at** her job, and her kids at the same time.

b. Fill in the correct preposition. Then choose any three phrases and make up sentences using them.

1 fact; 2 to be involved sth; 3 to move Boston; 4 to spend time and money sth; 5 a waste time; 6 an expert sth

Phrasal Verbs

Appendix 2

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a. Fill in the correct particle and explain the phrasal verbs.

- out (x2) • up with • into
- across • round • away • on
- off • down with

- 1 The fans got completely carried when their team scored in the last minute.
- 2 Neil was reading the newspaper when he came an article about an old friend of his.

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- 3 When Lucy's uncle died she came a lot of money.
- 4 Sue asked Rick and Claire to come for dinner tonight.
- 5 Danny carried his speech perfectly.
- 6 Jason is going to carry the business after his father retires.
- 7 The author has a new novel coming next week.
- 8 Liz has come an excellent solution to our problem.
- 9 Doctors will carry more tests to find out what the problem is.
- 10 John is ill; he has come chickenpox.

Idioms & Fixed Phrases

12 Underline the correct word, then try to explain the idioms. Are there similar idioms in your language?

- 1 Let's put on some music. It's as *silent/quiet* as the grave in here.
- 2 He's got food poisoning and he's been as sick as a *dog/cat* all week.
- 3 Don't worry about Maggie; she's as tough as old *shoes/boots*.
- 4 The Martin children are not at all alike. They're as different as chalk and *cheese/milk*.
- 5 I'll look after Jo anytime. Really, she's as good as *silver/gold*.
- 6 Ben can't wait to get started on the project. He's as keen as *ketchup/mustard*.

13 Underline the correct word. Then explain the phrases.

- 1 Things are going very well at work at the moment, I think a promotion might even be on the *books/cards/letters/papers*.
- 2 Chris does lots of work for charity. He's always doing something for a good *aim/example/cause/reason*.
- 3 You have to make it *easy/straight/clean/clear* to her exactly how you feel.
- 4 Helen is a lovely girl, but she always has her head in the *sky/stars/clouds/air*. She never notices what's going on around her.
- 5 It was only a silly argument, but they were both getting very *hot/red/heated/warm* under the collar.