unit 14 Section 1

Prepositional Phrases

A Complete the blanks with the prepositions in, on, at, for, of, with or to.

_____ the expense _____	_____ contact _____	_____ relation _____
_____ the mood _____	_____ addition _____	_____ the middle _____
_____ the point _____	_____ support _____	_____ the centre _____
_____ connection _____	_____ touch _____	_____ respect _____
_____ need _____	_____ the age _____	
_____ regard _____	_____ answer _____	

B Read the sentences and complete them with the prepositions in, on, for, of, with, to or as.

1 Mr Kingston is disabled _____ **a result** _____ a childhood illness.
2 We lost the bid to a rival company _____ **account** _____ a silly mistake that Roy made.
3 I stack all my magazines _____ **top** _____ the bookcase.
4 Tom withdrew his objections _____ **the sake** _____ the team's unity.
5 Sally bought an old house _____ **a view** _____ renovating it in the future.
6 I'm writing _____ **reference** _____ your newspaper's investigation into police corruption.

C Complete the sentences with the prepositional phrases in the box below.

in captivity	in haste	under strain	in aid of	in exchange for	ahead of schedule	in instalments	in demand
under repair	in the first place	in court	in writing	out of hand	in flames	behind schedule	

1 The charity marathon was _____ cancer research.
2 Hats are _____ this season because of the cold weather.
3 I gave my bicycle to my friend _____ his electric guitar.
4 The famous musicians left _____ after the concert to avoid their fans.
5 The delay at the airport has put us _____ .
6 If you had asked for directions _____ , we would not be lost now.
7 Requests for information made to this department must be _____ .
8 The businessman was kept _____ for over a month by his kidnappers.
9 I am paying off my car _____ .
10 The country's economy is still _____ and the economic situation will not improve soon .
11 To the surprise of everyone, the project was completed _____ .
12 My car is _____ at the moment after last week's crash.
13 The man decided to settle his claim _____ despite his lawyer's advice.
14 Don't you think that inflation is getting _____ ?
15 The whole building was _____ by the time the fire brigade arrived on the scene.

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