

## DEPENDENT PREPOSITIONS

**Task 1. Read these sentences with words that require a dependent preposition. Write only the preposition in the space.**

- 1) Some people find it difficult to tell the difference \_\_\_\_\_ work and play.
- 2) All users must comply \_\_\_\_\_ the terms of the contract.
- 3) I always associate Christmas \_\_\_\_\_ family, good food and a time to relax.
- 4) The employees went on strike to campaign \_\_\_\_\_ better work conditions.
- 5) I'm fed up with my job here so I've applied \_\_\_\_\_ another job in another company.
- 6) He is always boasting \_\_\_\_\_ his car - how fast and expensive it is.
- 7) She doesn't approve \_\_\_\_\_ my clothes. She thinks I dress badly.
- 8) My husband and I always argue \_\_\_\_\_ who should do the ironing. Neither of us like it.
- 9) I don't believe \_\_\_\_\_ ghosts. It's a silly idea.
- 10) I commented \_\_\_\_\_ the rubbish around our town to the mayor. I think somebody should clean it up.

**Task 2. Match the two parts of the sentences.**

1. I find it difficult to believe	A. of things we know little about.
2. Her breakfast consists	B. in criticising his class.
3. Adam looks very similar	C. with her students.
4. The town of Gouda is famous	D. for cheap houses.
5. She has a good relationship	E. in good luck and bad luck.
6. There's a great demand	F. of dry bread and a cup of tea.
7. Mary is keen	G. to his mother, Amy.
8. They don't agree	H. for its cheese.
9. We tend to be scared	I. on tracing her family tree.
10. Sam takes great pleasure	J. with the government's policy.

**Task 3. Complete the sentences with a suitable preposition given in the box on the right.**

1. Jane came \_\_\_\_\_ Ann's diary when she was cleaning her room.

2. The Greens ran \_\_\_\_\_ some of their old friends when they were visiting Paris.

3. They are aware \_\_\_\_\_ the danger.

4. He was responsible \_\_\_\_\_ the accident.

5. Other girls were jealous \_\_\_\_\_ her good looks.

6. Peter was extremely good \_\_\_\_\_ playing basketball.

7. Dan was ten minutes late \_\_\_\_\_ school.

8. She's fed up \_\_\_\_\_ this job.

9. We finally succeeded \_\_\_\_\_ getting that piano up the stairs.

10. Sometimes you just have to rely \_\_\_\_\_ your own judgment.

11. We are very worried \_\_\_\_\_ our future.

12. It was becoming obvious \_\_\_\_\_ her parents that she needed help.

13. I want to see you achieve what you are capable \_\_\_\_\_.

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