

PREPOSITIONS IN THE CONTEXT OF NUMBERS AND DATA

Task 1. Decide which preposition from the box should go in the gap and write it in.

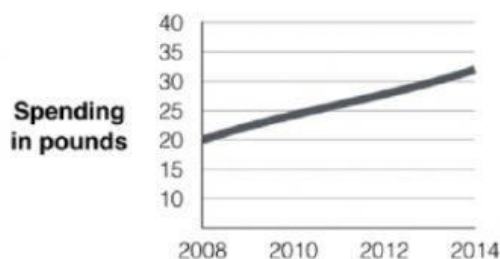
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- In May, the price of gold rose slightly _____ \$1,500.
- Holidays to foreign destinations remained constant _____ about 85,000 per month for the last two months of the year.
- Profits increased _____ 4 million dollars to 6 million dollars last year.
- From 2001 to 2010, the price of electricity has increased _____ 125%.
- Bike sales reached a peak _____ 20,000 in September.
- There is a sharp increase in traffic levels from 8am to 9am, _____ nearly 3000 cars traveling on the road.
- The last decade has seen a steep increase _____ the number of people diagnosed with diabetes.
- At the start of the year, the turnover of the company stood _____ £1.3 million.
- During the summer, student numbers at the school fluctuate _____ 150 and 170 per week.
- Following this, the number then fell _____ a low of 20 per month.

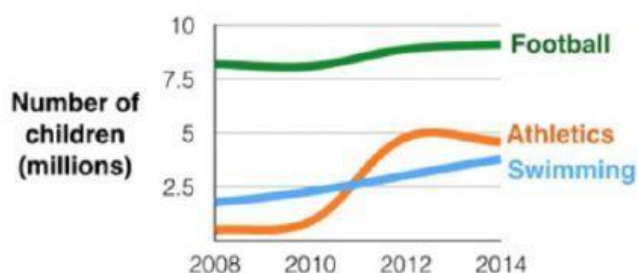
Task 2. Use these words below (some can be used more than once)

in / at / between – and / from / to / by / during / of

Average monthly spend on children's sports



Participation in three different sports



The monthly expenditure on children's sports saw a rise _____ 20 pounds _____ a little over 30 pounds _____ 2008 _____ 2014.

Figures for participation in athletics started ____ around 1 million children ____ 2008. This remained constant until 2010. However, _____ 2010 ____ 2012 the proportion ____ children taking part in Athletics rose ____ 5 million with a slight dip ____ the end of the period.

The number ____ children taking part in swimming began ____ a little less than 2.5 million ____ 2008 and saw a steady increase ending ____ around 4 million.

The figure for youngsters participating in football stood ____ just over 7.5 million ____ 2008. ____ 2010 ____ 2014 it increased ____ approximately 1 million. All three sports showed increases _____ the whole period.