

Detailed descriptions

i. Complete the sentences with the missing prepositions. There is one extra preposition you do not need to use.

for | from | in | on | to | with

- 1) It was the house which I spent my childhood.
- 2) It was a lesson which I'll always be grateful.
- 3) She's definitely the woman whom he wants to spend the rest of his life.
- 4) The cinema I most often go is the Odeon in the town centre.
- 5) Funnily enough, it was the planning which we spent the most time.
- 6) He was an athlete whom success came as naturally as his speed.
- 7) He was a friend I could always depend.
- 8) You're the person who we always turn when a speech is needed.

Use capital letters and punctuation marks.

ii. Make reduced definitions and descriptions. Complete the sentences with the verb in brackets in the correct form (past participle or -ing).

- 1) A beret is a type of flat hat _____ often one side of the head. (wear)
- 2) The large number of people _____ outside meant the doctor would be working late that night. (wait)
- 3) Items _____ permanently from your inbox can usually be found again if you know where to look. (delete)
- 4) I knew two people _____ in the fire. (injure)
- 5) Babies _____ in a bilingual household have more flexible brains. (bring up)
- 6) The dance _____ place tomorrow is to celebrate the end of the exams. (take)

iii. Combine the sentences to form descriptions and definitions. Remember to reduce the sentences when possible. Sometimes there is more than one possibility.

1. The taxi almost drove over a man. He was lying in the street.
2. Sunflowers was painted by Van Gogh. It's one of the most popular paintings ever.
3. The army advanced towards the hill. It was led by Napoleon.
4. I don't know the people. They live next door to me.
5. I used to like blockbusters. They involved lots of action.
6. The apartments overlook Central Park. They are the most expensive.

7. Some factories were forced to close during the recession. They still haven't reopened.

8. Many people think that the Taj Mahal is the most beautiful building in the world. It was built in the seventeenth century.

Use capital letters and punctuation marks.