

## EXERCISES

### PREPOSITIONS

#### A Complete the sentences with the correct preposition.

- We keep all sorts of rubbish ..... the attic.
- Should I invest ..... property?
- Many local people protested ..... the new building.
- I could see some people ..... the distance.
- The library provides access ..... thousands of books.
- In the morning, the car was covered ..... snow.

#### B Choose the correct preposition.

- They bought the house *for / as* an investment.
- There's still a pay gap *between / into* men and women.
- I'm praying *for / with* a fine day tomorrow.
- He settled *for / in* Birmingham after the war.
- There is a serious shortage *of / for* housing.
- The shops are a short distance *of / from* here.

### WORD FAMILIES

#### C Complete the expressions with the correct form of the word in bold.

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| 1 pay £40 for the <b>heating</b>          | it's expensive to .....                 |
| 2 sleep in <b>separate</b> beds           | her parents are now .....               |
| 3 buy new <b>tiles</b> for the kitchen    | the floor is .....                      |
| 4 prices here are <b>affordable</b>       | we can't .....                          |
| 5 she <b>envies</b> her sister            | these prices be .....                   |
| 6 a good <b>investment</b> for the future | of somebody want to .....               |
| 7 the business is <b>failing</b>          | in property the business ended in ..... |
| 8 <b>immigrants</b> have settled here     | a rise in .....                         |

### COLLOCATIONS

#### D Complete the sentences with the correct noun from the verbs in brackets. Look up the verbs if you need help.

- I'm disappointed by his ..... to follow my advice. (fail)
- There was a big crowd of ..... outside the school. (protest)
- European ..... started to arrive in 1793. (settle)
- We want to attract foreign ..... (invest)
- We had a bad ..... the last time we went there. (experience)

#### E Match the two halves of the collocations. Look up the nouns (a-e) if you need help.

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| 1 affordable  | a) housing    |
| 2 the central | b) rate       |
| 3 the divorce | c) conflict   |
| 4 a long-term | d) heating    |
| 5 armed       | e) investment |

#### F Complete the collocations with nouns from the unit.

- a ladder to get into the a\_ \_ \_ c
- a flood in the b\_ \_ \_ \_ \_ t
- a rise in p\_ \_ \_ \_ \_ y prices
- a drop in the crime r\_ \_ e
- a sharp rise in i\_ \_ \_ \_ \_ n
- a fascinating e\_ \_ \_ \_ \_ e
- a serious s\_ \_ \_ \_ \_ e of housing
- within walking d\_ \_ \_ \_ \_ e
- pick up your l\_ \_ \_ \_ r
- turn the h\_ \_ \_ \_ \_ g up

#### G Match the adjectives from the unit in the box with the definitions.

filthy run-down dead isolated separate rising

- far away from other buildings, shops, towns etc. ....
- not very lively .....
- extremely dirty .....
- getting bigger in number, size, or value .....
- not together or joined to each other .....
- not in good condition .....