

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.

- Mr Kingston is disabled _____ a result _____ a childhood illness.
- We lost the bid to a rival company _____ account _____ a silly mistake that Roy made.
- I stack all my magazines _____ top _____ the bookcase.
- Tom withdrew his objections _____ the sake _____ the team's unity.
- Sally bought an old house _____ a view _____ renovating it in the future.
- 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

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

Phrasal Verbs

Read the sentences on the left and match the phrasal verbs with their definitions on the right by writing the correct number in the box next to each definition.

A CALL

- 1 Why don't you **call** your mother **up** and surprise her?
- 2 The bank manager said he would **call back** after lunch.
- 3 The celebrations were **called off** after the tragic accident.
- 4 I heard someone **calling out** my name from a distance.
- 5 I **called at** the office to pick up my laptop before coming here.

- ☐ return a phone call
- ☐ pay a short visit
- ☐ shout loudly
- ☐ make a phone call
- ☐ cancel

B SPEAK, TELL, COUNT

- 1 **Speak up** please! I can't hear a word you're saying.
- 2 I could never **tell** the two identical twins **apart**.
- 3 Joe said to **count** him **in** for this weekend's fishing expedition.
- 4 I guess we will have to **count** Dave **out** of tomorrow's match if he doesn't feel better by tonight.
- 5 Rob can always **count on** his brother to help him with the gardening.

- ☐ speak loudly
- ☐ rely on
- ☐ distinguish
- ☐ include
- ☐ exclude

Words with Prepositions

A Complete the blanks with prepositions.

Adjectives	Nouns	Verbs
angry _____ sb	a comparison _____	combine _____
angry _____ sth	an understanding _____	compare _____
annoyed _____ sb		compete _____ sb
_____ sth		_____ sth
bored _____ sb/sth		describe sb/sth _____
certain _____		sb (=say what they look like)
identical _____		excuse sb _____
similar _____		be made _____
suitable _____		protest _____
sure _____		shout _____
terrible _____ sth		

B Read the following sentences and complete them with prepositions.

- 1 Many new paper products today are **made** _____ recycled paper.
- 2 The copy of the masterpiece was **identical** _____ the one in the museum.
- 3 The manager was very **angry** _____ the way things turned out at yesterday's presentation.
- 4 Dennis has a good overall **understanding** _____ the subject.
- 5 In next month's athletics meeting I will be **competing** _____ the gold medal _____ my arch-rival, Gary Flash.
- 6 My doctor was **annoyed** _____ me when I told her I wasn't taking my medication regularly.

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- 7 Leone is not **sure** _____ her new job offer. She needs time to think it over.
- 8 I was **bored** _____ all the advice the teachers felt obliged to give us on the first day back at school.
- 9 Erica was absolutely **certain** _____ what she saw that night.
- 10 Dan and Carole are a lovely couple because they're so **suitable** _____ each other.
- 11 For the first time in years, farmers aren't **protesting** _____ the decrease in their income.
- 12 Many students are **terrible** _____ Maths and English.

Grammar Revision (Reported Speech)

See Grammar Review page 163

Change the following sentences into Reported Speech. Use one of the reporting verbs in the box below.

suggest warn explain admit deny
advise promise complain ask threaten

- 1 "You'll sprain your ankle, Celia, if you run in those shoes," said her mother.

- 2 "Stand still or I'll tie you up!" shouted the kidnapper at the man.

- 3 "You're late again, Fay!" said John.

- 4 "I won't tell you another lie, Mum," said Ben.

- 5 "I didn't steal your wallet, Betty," he said.

- 6 "Take the pills for three days and visit me again next week, Mr Farrow," said the doctor.

- 7 "Let's go on a boat trip," my brother told me.

- 8 "Yes, I did ruin the printer," my colleague said.

- 9 "Why didn't you do your homework yesterday, Mary?" the teacher wanted to know.

- 10 "I need the money because I must fly to London tonight," she said.

Examination Practice

A Read the text below and think of the word which best fits each space. Use only one word in each space.

A CAREER AT HOME

Jodie Sutter is thirty-eight. She has two daughters and has recently changed her lifestyle. She is part of a growing number of women (1) _____ are abandoning their careers to become full-time homecarers. Jodie worked for ten years as a successful lawyer in a large legal firm in the city. She loved her job and was moving up the career ladder. She explained (2) _____ she had fascinating cases (3) _____ court and gave it everything she had. Twelve-hour days were not uncommon and her weekends were always busy.



When she had her first child, though, things changed. "In the (4) _____ place, my colleagues couldn't count (5) _____ me when they had a heavy workload because I'd have to rush home to Lucy," she said. Her husband also had a demanding job and they soon realised that there was more to family life than they had imagined. "We were always (6) _____ schedule!" she exclaimed. Jodie admits (7) _____ frustrated at times when the situation got (8) _____ of hand. That's when she was sure (9) _____ her decision to leave her job. Her husband suggested that they (10) _____ get a nanny. However, Jodie insisted (11) _____ giving up her career, and did so when Lucy was three. "It's very difficult to combine work (12) _____ family life and I believe the latter is more important."

B Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given unchanged. You must use between two and five words, including the word given.

1 "He stole my money!" shouted the old lady.

accused The old lady _____ money.

2 "I think you should stop eating so many sweets," Mary's sister said to her.

advised Mary's sister _____ so many sweets.

3 "Don't cancel your trip because of us," we said to John.

off We told John _____ his trip because of us.

4 "I'm sorry I didn't tell you the truth," Peter said to us.

apologised Peter _____ the truth.

5 Is the gallery open in the afternoon?

know Do you _____ open in the afternoon?

6 "Why don't you try on a pair of jeans?" Peter asked Mary.

suggested Peter _____ a pair of jeans.

7 "You really must let me cook dinner," said Anne.

insisted Anne _____ dinner.

8 "What does he want to tell me?" Julie asked herself.

wondered Julie _____ to tell her.

Section 2

Words easily confused

Use the correct form of the words in the boxes to complete the sentences in each group A-H below. You may use some of the words more than once. In some cases, more than one word may be correct.

A like alike unlike likely as same similar common

- 1 It's very _____ to see people asleep on the train when travelling to work. When I'm tired I do the _____.
- 2 My cousin John looks just _____ his father. They even have _____ habits.
- 3 Jonathan is very polite _____ his brother who is really rude.
- 4 Dora and Mary look _____ and often I can't tell one from the other.
- 5 He's as white _____ a ghost. It's very _____ that he is going to faint.
- 6 They are _____ to be late, so let's start eating dinner.

B suit fit match combine compare

- 1 You must _____ strength with will-power to become a successful weightlifter.
- 2 The red tie doesn't _____ you and it doesn't _____ your clothes either.
- 3 My trainers are too small and don't _____ me anymore.
- 4 You can't _____ a Ferrari to an ordinary car.

C punctual accurate correct exact sharp

- 1 The _____ answer to the maths problem is 2.43 not 2.53.
- 2 Be here at 8 o'clock _____, otherwise I'll leave without you.
- 3 Barometers are the most _____ way of measuring atmospheric pressure.
- 4 Jason is a very _____ person. He is never late.
- 5 The _____ distance from Burwood to the city centre is 17.4 km.

D remain reveal review revise relieve release

- 1 The journalist wouldn't _____ her source no matter how much pressure I put on her.
- 2 My family were _____ to hear that my grandfather's operation went well. He then had to _____ in hospital for four weeks before he could be _____.
- 3 We had to _____ all ten units for the maths test.
- 4 My editor asked me to _____ a new play by John Astor.
- 5 The 'New Rockers' have _____ their new album and the reviews have been excellent so far.

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E outcome outdoor outfit outlet outsider

- 1 Bullfighting is fought in an _____ arena.
- 2 I bought an expensive _____ for the awards ceremony.
- 3 When Beth moved to her new school, she felt like an _____ until she became friends with a few girls.
- 4 The factory _____ sells shoes at cost price.
- 5 The _____ of the match was in favour of the home team.

F perfect ideal fine thorough detailed definite certain particular special sure

- 1 My _____ weight is 54 kilograms. At the moment I'm 61 kilograms, so I'm going on a diet.
- 2 The doctor gave her patient a(n) _____ check-up once a year.
- 3 My supervisor asked for a(n) _____ report concerning the new project we were doing.
- 4 This mirror will be _____ for our entrance hall. I'm _____ it will fit on the wall opposite the door.
- 5 I need a(n) _____ answer by tomorrow because I want to know for _____ how many people are coming to the restaurant.
- 6 The weather tomorrow will be _____ with a light breeze from the North.
- 7 The supermarket had a _____ offer on a(n) _____ brand of spaghetti that was very tasty.

G stand resist tolerate suffer

- 1 I don't like people who lie and cheat. I will not _____ such behaviour.
- 2 Many people _____ from allergies in spring.
- 3 I can't _____ chocolate cake when I see it in front of me.
- 4 I couldn't bear to watch my cat _____, so I asked the vet to put him down.
- 5 Kate can't _____ milk and never drinks it.

H offer provide supply cater

- 1 Peter _____ to take me home since it was raining.
- 2 Does this restaurant _____ for vegetarians?
- 3 The airline _____ lunch for the passengers of the delayed flight.
- 4 They _____ us home-made cookies.
- 5 The injured climbers were _____ with food and water until help arrived.

Derivatives

- In the previous units we dealt with derivatives which are formed according to certain rules. There are, however, some less predictable formations. The most common of these are:

Verb	Noun	Adjective
bear	birth	—
behave	behaviour	behavioural
choose	choice	choosy
complain	complaint	—
die	death	dead
hate	hatred	hateful
heat	heat	hot
laugh	laughter	—
lose	loss	lost
marry	marriage	married
pride	pride	proud
prove	proof	—
pursue	pursuit	—
relieve	relief	relieved
see	sight	—
sing	song	—
solve	solution	—
speak	speech	speechless
succeed	success	successful
think	thought	thoughtful
—	youth	young

- You may be asked to form an adjective or noun which derives from the name of a country or continent.
e.g. *England* → *English*
Europe → *European*
- Finally, you may be asked to derive an adverb or a pronoun ending in **-body**, **-one**, **-thing**, **-where**, **-how**, **-ever** or **-self**.
e.g. *some* → *somebody* *any* → *anyhow*
any → *anyone* *when* → *whenever*
every → *everything* *one* → *oneself*
else → *elsewhere*

Complete the sentences with the correct form of the words in bold type.

- Janet was at a _____ for words when she saw the damage done to her car.
- My parents have had a long and happy _____.
- I need _____ to help me find the _____ documents, as I've looked _____ and can't find them.
- _____ people like to make _____ about London's _____ weather.
- He committed the crime out of racial _____.
- The father was _____ of his son's _____ to Cambridge.
- I can't stand the _____ of _____ animals!
- _____ we go, we manage to enjoy _____.
- Many people can't stand extreme _____.
- The _____ ambassador is giving a _____ tonight.

LOSE
MARRY
SOME, MISS
EVERY
BRITAIN, COMPLAIN
RAIN
HATE
PRIDE, ADMIT
SEE, DIE
WHERE, OUR
HOT
ITALY, SPEAK

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- 11 He _____ managed to find _____ that he was innocent.
- 12 The _____ of leaving my home town and going to live in the city filled me with _____ feelings, but I had made my _____.
- 13 His _____ was _____ and I'm never going to speak to him again.
- 14 It is commonly accepted that _____ is the best medicine for stress.
- 15 His _____ doesn't allow him to admit his faults.
- 16 The _____ crossed the _____ border.
- 17 It was such a _____ for her when she found her dog.
- 18 I believe that it's impossible to find a _____ to every problem.
- 19 They think very highly of _____ and prefer not to associate with _____ they consider inferior.
- 20 The _____ of your book will depend on how well you promote it.

SOME, PROVE
THINK
MIX, CHOOSE
BEHAVE, ACCEPT

LAUGH
PROUD
IMMIGRATE, MEXICO
RELIEVE
SOLVE
THEM
ANY
SUCCEED

Examination Practice

A Read the text below and decide which answer A, B, C or D best fits each space.

A BIG DECISION



When Lucy (1) _____ that she was going to move abroad because she was bored (2) _____ her life, we weren't surprised. After all, she had been talking about moving to a warmer country for ages, one which would (3) _____ sun, sea and opportunities for outdoor activities. A country like Spain or Portugal would (4) _____ her just fine.

We took her even more seriously when she called (5) _____ an interview for a job she was sure of getting.

Of course, her parents were annoyed with her decision, but I had to admit that I sympathised with her. I had done something (6) _____ when I was her age, so I supported her all the way. I even helped her decide on a suitable destination.

It was near an ancient site which, given Lucy's academic background in archaeology, was (7) _____ for her. I (8) _____ her that in the beginning she would feel (9) _____ an (10) _____, but people from small towns are friendly and she wouldn't feel lonely for too long.

The time came for Lucy to depart. She wasn't sad, (11) _____ her parents who were crying and couldn't bear to see their daughter leaving. Seeing her parents cry made me feel responsible for what had happened. In the end, I (12) _____ for having encouraged Lucy to leave. To tell the truth, however, I'm glad to have influenced her decision to move abroad.

1	A announced	B told	C agreed	D claimed
2	A with	B for	C about	D at
3	A supply	B offer	C reveal	D cater
4	A fit	B suit	C combine	D match
5	A out	B up	C for	D off
6	A similar	B common	C same	D likely
7	A ideal	B special	C particular	D fine
8	A insisted	B explained	C said	D warned
9	A as	B alike	C like	D unlike
10	A outdoor	B outsider	C outcome	D outfit
11	A not alike	B unlikely	C not as	D unlike
12	A admitted	B denied	C apologised	D accused

B Complete the text below with the correct form of the words in capitals.

A TENNIS STAR IS BORN

(1) _____ the tennis star Richard Krajicek stepped onto the court, his opponent needed to prepare for one of the (2) _____ serves in the game. Krajicek was (3) _____ of his 220 km/h serve, since his (4) _____ on the court could be partly attributed to it.

Without doubt, Krajicek can be described as (5) _____ who was in pursuit of (6) _____. At Wimbledon in 1997, bad weather conditions didn't dampen his spirits. The only (7) _____ that went through his mind was that of holding the trophy. Krajicek had a lot of (8) _____ and beat his (9) _____ opponent three sets to love. Many considered Krajicek to be the next great (10) _____ tennis champion following in the footsteps of Boris Becker.

WHEN
FAST
PRIDE, SUCCEED

SOME
EXCEL
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DETERMINE, AMERICA
EUROPE

