

to the other clause. (D) looks like a subordinate clause but does not have a verb.

Example: _____ realistic painting or sculpture, emotion is expressed mainly through people's poses and expression.

- (A) In a
- (B) It is in a
- (C) As
- (D) A

The best answer is (A). (B) is a clause but there is no connector joining it to the other clause. (C) looks like a clause but does not have a verb. (D) is not correct as there is no connector joining it to the rest of the sentence.

EXERCISES ON PREPOSITIONAL PHRASES

From the four words or phrases, choose the one that best completes the sentence.

1. Camels store water _____ of fat in their humps.
 - (A) with the form
 - ✓(B) in the form
 - (C) by the form
 - (D) form
2. Tears contain an antiseptic that helps protect our eyes _____ infection.
 - (A) from bacterial
 - (B) in bacterial
 - (C) bacterial
 - (D) with bacterial
3. So far only two other of our neighboring planets _____ the solar system have been visited by unmanned spacecraft.
 - (A) by
 - (B) that they are in
 - (C) in
 - (D) they are by

4. Many tropical orchids grow _____ branches of trees and have aerial roots that absorb water from the moist air around them.
- (A) of the
 - (B) the
 - (C) they are in the
 - (D) in the
5. _____ compact disc, sound is stored as digital information in tiny pits on the surface.
- (A) On a
 - (B) A
 - (C) It is on a
 - (D) Of a
6. Giraffes sleep only _____ an hour at a time and often do not sleep at all during twenty-four hours.
- (A) by
 - (B) for
 - (C) in
 - (D) during
7. _____ were invented, patients had to be held down by force during painful operations.
- (A) As anesthetics
 - (B) Because anesthetics
 - (C) Before anesthetics
 - (D) Anesthetics
8. The surface of a cactus is coated _____ waxy layer that prevents water from evaporating from the plant.
- (A) it is a
 - (B) a
 - (C) by a
 - (D) with a
9. _____ eighteenth century, people began to realize that certain chemicals are affected and changed by light.
- (A) By the
 - (B) The
 - (C) It was the
 - (D) That in the

10. In addition to their homes, the Pomo Indians of California built dance houses _____ religious ceremonies.
- (A) of
 - (B) for
 - (C) in which
 - (D) were for
11. The wood of many pine species makes excellent pulp _____ manufacture of paper.
- (A) in
 - (B) to
 - (C) for the
 - (D) the
12. The photos of the American Civil War made by Matthew Brady and his assistants rank _____ finest war pictures of all time.
- (A) the
 - (B) in the
 - (C) between the
 - (D) among the