

96 Nouns with prepositions

Do you usually have **confidence in** your ability to do things?

Should you always **take advantage of** opportunities to earn more money?

Is it true that any **exposure to** radiation can be harmful?

Do you need **reminders of** people's birthdays, or do you always remember them?

Would you like greater **involvement in** politics or charity work?

Is it true there is no **substitute for** hard work if you want to be successful?

With the exception of a flat or car, what is the most expensive thing you've ever bought?

If the government imposed **limitations on** air travel for environmental reasons, would you support that?

Do you think society is better since the **emergence of** social media?

Is there anyone that you feel **contempt for**?

GLOSSARY

confidence (in sth/sb)	the feeling that you can trust, believe in and be sure about the abilities or good qualities of sb/sth
take advantage of sth	make use of sth well; make use of an opportunity
exposure (to sth)	the state of being in a place or situation where there is usually no protection from sth harmful or unpleasant
reminder (of sth)	sth that makes you think about or remember sb/sth that you have forgotten, would like to forget or might accidentally forget
involvement (in sth)	the act of participating in sth and giving time to it
substitute for sth	a person or thing that you use or have instead of one you normally use or have
with the exception of sth	except; not including
limitation (on sth)	a rule, fact or condition that limits sth SYN restraint (on sth)
emergence (of sth)	the fact of starting to exist or become known for the first time
contempt (for sb/sth)	the feeling that sb/sth is without value and deserves no respect

1 Circle the correct preposition.

- the emergence *of / for* democracy
- restraints *of / on* the use of alcohol
- my involvement *on / in* the project
- take advantage *of / for* the sun
- no substitute *in / for* love
- limitations *on / in* the use of cars
- a reminder *to / of* how dangerous cars are
- confidence *on / in* the justice system

2 Complete the dialogues with a suitable noun.

- Can they work 12 hours a day? ~ No, there are _____ on the number of hours they are permitted to work.
- Did everyone do their homework? ~ Yes, with the _____ of Reuben, as usual.
- Clara's very well qualified. ~ I agree, but there's no _____ for practical experience.
- There are still guards outside. ~ Indeed. It's a _____ of the danger still around us.
- Luca thinks he's going to fail the test. ~ That boy has no _____ in his abilities.
- Do you use sunblock? ~ Yes, I'm worried about _____ to too much sun.
- Jonas doesn't respect even his own MP. ~ I agree. He shows complete _____ for Parliament.
- They've given me a great opportunity. ~ Yes, make sure you take _____ of it.

3 Complete the sentences with the correct noun and preposition.

- Living near the nuclear plant, I'm worried about _____ radiation.
- Teachers generally encourage parents' _____ their children's education.
- We are seeing the _____ new democracies around the world.
- The government have imposed serious _____ public spending during the crisis.
- We enjoyed the meal, with the _____ Carla, who hated every mouthful.
- The critic was very rude and showed _____ the director's new ideas.
- The smashed car on the side of the road is a _____ the dangers of drinking and driving.
- I'm planning to take _____ of our neighbours' absence to hold a big party.

4 ABOUT YOU What are your answers to the questions at the top of the page? Write them down, or ask another student.



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