

Prepositional Phrases Test

Choose the correct prepositional phrase to complete each sentence. Only ONE option is correct.

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1. I didn't see the warning sign and walked into the wet cement ____.
- a) in ink
 - b) on time
 - c) by mistake
 - d) at least
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2. The documents must be signed ____, not typed.
- a) by hand
 - b) on fire
 - c) in a hurry
 - d) by chance
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3. The exhibition will only be ____ for one more week.
- a) on loan
 - b) on display
 - c) in a mess
 - d) on fire
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4. I wasn't sure about my new job ____, but now I really enjoy it.
- a) at first
 - b) in trouble
 - c) by chance
 - d) at all
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5. I arrived just ____ to catch the beginning of the concert.
- a) on loan
 - b) on purpose
 - c) in time
 - d) on foot
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6. She dropped the glass ____, trying to scare him.
- a) in advance
 - b) on purpose
 - c) in fashion
 - d) by hand
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7. We met at the museum completely ____ - we didn't even know we were both in the city!

- a) on time
 - b) in fashion
 - c) by coincidence
 - d) in a mess
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8. When I was a kid, we wrote everything ____.

- a) on time
 - b) by hand
 - c) on display
 - d) at first
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9. You should book the table _____. It gets really busy.

- a) in advance
 - b) by mistake
 - c) on loan
 - d) at least
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10. Please try not to leave your room ____ again.

- a) in a hurry
 - b) in ink
 - c) in a mess
 - d) by hand
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11. We got to the train station ____ and missed our train.

- a) on time
 - b) in time
 - c) too late
 - d) late
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12. I didn't forget your birthday ____ — I was planning a surprise!

- a) on foot
 - b) on loan
 - c) in trouble
 - d) on purpose
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13. That sculpture is only here temporarily — it's ____.

- a) on display
 - b) on fire
 - c) on loan
 - d) in trouble
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14. The teacher walked in while we were throwing paper — we were really ____.

- a) in trouble
 - b) in advance
 - c) on purpose
 - d) on loan
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15. I wasn't ____ interested in sports as a teenager.

- a) at first
 - b) at all
 - c) on time
 - d) in time
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16. We saw the actor completely ____ while we were walking through London!

- a) by hand
 - b) by chance
 - c) by mistake
 - d) on purpose
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17. These letters are written ____ — look at the beautiful handwriting!

- a) by hand
 - b) in trouble
 - c) in a mess
 - d) at first
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18. The weather was nice, so we decided to go to the park ____ instead of taking the bus.

- a) by mistake
 - b) on foot
 - c) in danger
 - d) by chance
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19. That store has all their winter jackets ____.

- a) on sale
 - b) on purpose
 - c) in trouble
 - d) in fashion
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20. You'll ruin the report if you write it ____ like this.

- a) in a mess
- b) in a hurry
- c) in ink
- d) in trouble