

Vocabulary

Verbs with dependent prepositions

1 Match the sentence halves.

- 1 I don't believe ____
 - 2 Does that car belong ____
 - 3 Unfortunately, Richard suffers ____
 - 4 Does the J in your name stand ____
 - 5 I can't concentrate ____
 - 6 Why are you smiling ____
 - 7 I'm working ____
 - 8 We have to deal ____
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- a to anyone you know?
 - b for James like your dad?
 - c in ghosts. Do you?
 - d on a really exciting project at the moment.
 - e on work when people are talking.
 - f from really bad headaches.
 - g with some really difficult customers at work.
 - h at me like that?

2 Complete the text with the words in the box and a preposition.

deal relied smile stand suffer thinking work



Running shy

I'm naturally a shy person so talking to people I don't know isn't easy. For a long time, I ¹ _____ a few close friends for company. I didn't try to make new friends and I even chose a job where I didn't have to ² _____ strangers. In the end, I realised that I needed to make a change. I joined a running club where I could ³ _____ improving both my confidence and my fitness. On my first day, I tried to make eye contact with everyone and ⁴ _____ them. I even started a conversation. Slowly, I started to make friends. I'm now ⁵ _____ starting my own running group for people who ⁶ _____ social anxiety like me. I'd call it The RS Group. RS would ⁷ _____ Running Shy.

