

129.1 Complete the second sentence so that it has the same meaning as the first.

- 1 What caused the explosion?
What was the cause of the explosion ?
- 2 We're trying to solve the problem.
We're trying to find a solution
- 3 Sue gets on well with her brother.
Sue has a good relationship
- 4 The cost of living has gone up a lot.
There has been a big increase
- 5 I don't know how to answer your question.
I can't think of an answer
- 6 I don't think that a new road is necessary.
I don't think there is any need
- 7 I think that living in a big city has many advantages.
I think that there are many advantages
- 8 Food prices fell last month.
Last month there was a fall
- 9 Nobody wants shoes like these any more.
There is no demand
- 10 In what way is your job different from mine?
What is the difference ..?

129.2 Complete the sentences using these nouns + a preposition:

cause key	connection map	contact photos	damage reason	invitation reply
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- 1 On the classroom wall there were some pictures and a map of the world.
- 2 Thank you for the your birthday party.
- 3 Anna has little her family these days. She rarely sees them.
- 4 I can't open this door. Do you have a the other door?
- 5 The the fire at the hotel is still unknown.
- 6 Did you get a the email you sent?
- 7 The two companies are separate. There is no them.
- 8 Jane showed me some the city as it looked 100 years ago.
- 9 Emily has decided to give up her job. I don't know her doing this.
- 10 It wasn't a bad accident. The the car wasn't serious.

129.3 Complete the sentences with the correct preposition.

- 1 There are some differences between British and American English.
- 2 Money isn't the solution every problem.
- 3 There has been an increase the amount of traffic using this road.
- 4 The advantage having a car is that you don't have to rely on public transport.
- 5 There are many advantages being able to speak a foreign language.
- 6 Everything can be explained. There's a reason everything.
- 7 When Paul left home, his attitude many things seemed to change.
- 8 Ben and I used to be good friends, but I don't have much contact him now.
- 9 James did a very good drawing his father. It looks just like him.
- 10 What was Sarah's reaction the news?
- 11 Nicola took a picture me holding the baby.
- 12 The show is very popular and there has been a great demand tickets.
- 13 There has been a lot of debate about the causes climate change.
- 14 The fact that Jane was offered a job in the company has no connection the fact that she is a friend of the managing director.

130.1 Complete the sentences using **nice of ...**, **kind of ...** etc.

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| 1 | Tom offered to drive me to the airport. | (nice)
That was <u>nice of him</u> . |
| 2 | I needed money and Lisa gave me some. | (generous)
That her. |
| 3 | They didn't invite us to their party. | (not very nice)
That wasn't |
| 4 | Can I help you with your luggage? | (very kind)
That's |
| 5 | Kevin never says 'thank you'. | (not very polite)
That isn't |
| 6 | They've had an argument and now they refuse to speak to each other. | (a bit childish)
That's a bit |

130.2 Complete the sentences using an adjective + preposition. Choose from:

amazed angry bored careless excited impressed kind nervous

- Are you nervous about the exam?
- Thank you for all you've done. You've been very me.
- What have I done wrong? Why are you me?
- You must be very your trip next week. It sounds really great.
- I wasn't the service in the restaurant. We had to wait ages.
- Ben isn't very happy at college. He says he's the course he's doing.
- I'd never seen so many people before. I was the crowds.
- It was you to leave the car unlocked while you were shopping.

130.3 Put in the correct preposition.

- They were delighted with the present I gave them.
- It was nice you to come and see me when I was ill.
- Why are you always so rude people? Why can't you be more polite?
- We always have the same food every day. I'm fed up it.
- We had a good holiday, but we were disappointed the hotel.
- I can't understand people who are cruel animals.
- I was surprised the way he behaved. It was completely out of character.
- I've been trying to learn Japanese, but I'm not very satisfied my progress.
- Tanya doesn't look very well. I'm worried her.
- I'm sorry yesterday. I completely forgot we'd arranged to meet.
- There's no point in feeling sorry yourself. It won't help you.
- Are you still upset what I said to you yesterday?
- Some people say Kate is unfriendly, but she's always been very nice me.
- I'm tired doing the same thing every day. I need a change.
- We interviewed ten people for the job, and we weren't impressed any of them.
- Vicky is annoyed me because I didn't agree with her.
- I'm sorry the smell in this room. I've just finished painting it.
- I was shocked what I saw. I'd never seen anything like it before.
- Jack is sorry what he did. He won't do it again.
- The hotel was incredibly expensive. I was amazed the price of a room.
- Paul made the wrong decision. It was honest him to admit it.
- You've been very generous me. You've helped me a lot.
- Our neighbours were very angry the noise we made.
- Our neighbours were furious us making so much noise.

131.1 Complete the sentences using an adjective + **of**. Choose from:

ashamed aware capable envious proud scared short typical

- I'm a bit short of money. Can you lend me some?
- My children have done very well. I'm them.
- What I did was very bad. I'm myself.
- She always behaves like that. It's her.
- He wouldn't be able to run his own business. He's not it.
- I don't like going up ladders. I'm heights.
- Nobody told me she was ill. I wasn't it.
- I wish I had what Sarah has. I'm her.

131.2 Write sentences about yourself. Are you good at these things or not? You can use:

good pretty good not very good hopeless

- (repairing things) I'm not very good at repairing things.
- (telling jokes)
- (maths)
- (remembering names)
- (making decisions)

131.3 Complete the sentences using an adjective + preposition. Choose from:

afraid capable different interested proud responsible similar sure

- I think she's arriving this evening, but I'm not sure of that.
- Your camera is mine, but it isn't exactly the same.
- Don't worry. I'll look after you. There's nothing to be
- I never watch the news on TV. I'm not the news.
- The editor is the person who is what appears in a newspaper.
- Sarah is a keen gardener and is very her garden.
- I was surprised when I first met Tina. She was what I expected.
- Ben could become world champion one day. He's it.

131.4 Complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first.

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| 1 There were lots of tourists in the streets. | The streets were crowded <u>with tourists</u> . |
| 2 There was a lot of furniture in the room. | The room was full |
| 3 I don't like sport very much. | I'm not very keen |
| 4 We don't have enough time. | We're short |
| 5 Helen does her job very well. | Helen is very good |
| 6 Steven's wife is a doctor. | Steven is married |
| 7 I don't trust Robert. | I'm suspicious |
| 8 My problem is not the same as yours. | My problem is different |

131.5 Put in the correct preposition.

- Amy is always full of energy.
- My home town is not a very interesting place. It's not famous anything.
- Kate is very fond her younger brother.
- You look bored. You don't seem interested what I'm saying.
- 'Our flight departs at 10.35.' 'Are you sure that?'
- I wanted to go out for a meal, but nobody else was keen the idea.
- These days everybody is aware the dangers of smoking.
- The station platform was crowded people waiting for the train.
- Mark has no money of his own. He's completely dependent his parents.
- We're short staff in our office right now. We need more people to do the work.

132.1 Which is correct?

- 1 a Can you explain this word to me? (*a is correct*)
b Can you explain me this word?
- 2 a I got angry with Mark. Afterwards, I apologised to him.
b I got angry with Mark. Afterwards, I apologised him.
- 3 a Amy won't be able to help you. There's no point in asking to her.
b Amy won't be able to help you. There's no point in asking her.
- 4 a I need somebody to explain me what I have to do.
b I need somebody to explain to me what I have to do.
- 5 a They didn't understand the system, so I explained it to them.
b They didn't understand the system, so I explained it them.
- 6 a I like to sit on the beach and listen to the sound of the sea.
b I like to sit on the beach and listen the sound of the sea.
- 7 a I asked them to describe me exactly what happened.
b I asked them to describe to me exactly what happened.
- 8 a We'd better phone the restaurant to reserve a table.
b We'd better phone to the restaurant to reserve a table.
- 9 a It was a difficult question. I couldn't answer to it.
b It was a difficult question. I couldn't answer it.
- 10 a I explained everybody the reasons for my decision.
b I explained to everybody the reasons for my decision.
- 11 a I thanked everybody for all the help they had given me.
b I thanked to everybody for all the help they had given me.
- 12 a My friend texted to me to let me know she was going to be late.
b My friend texted me to let me know she was going to be late.

132.2 Complete the sentences. Use these verbs + the correct preposition:

explain laugh listen look point reply speak throw throw

- 1 I look stupid with this haircut. Everybody will laugh at me.
- 2 I don't understand this. Can you explain it to me?
- 3 We live in the same building, but we've never one another.
- 4 Be careful with those scissors! Don't them me!
- 5 You shouldn't directly the sun. You'll damage your eyes.
- 6 Please me! I've got something important to tell you.
- 7 Don't stones the birds!
- 8 If you don't want that sandwich, it the birds. They'll eat it.
- 9 I tried to contact Tina, but she didn't my emails.

132.3 Put in **to** or **at**.

- 1 They apologised to me for what happened.
- 2 I glanced my watch to see what time it was.
- 3 Please don't shout me! Try to calm down.
- 4 I saw Lisa and shouted her, but she didn't hear me.
- 5 Don't listen what he says. He doesn't know what he's talking about.
- 6 What's so funny? What are you laughing ?
- 7 Is it all right if I have a look your magazine?
- 8 I'm lonely. I need somebody to talk
- 9 She was so angry she threw a book the wall.
- 10 The woman sitting opposite me on the train kept staring me.
- 11 Do you have a moment? I need to speak you.