

## PREPOSITIONAL PHRASES

**BY – FOR - FROM - IN – INTO - ON - OUT OF – UNDER  
AGAINST – AT – BEHIND - BELOW – DOWN - OFF – WITH**

1. Those trousers went \_\_\_\_\_ fashion many years ago.
2. We heard about the natural disaster \_\_\_\_\_ the news.
3. I was \_\_\_\_\_ the impression that we didn't want to offend him .
4. Unemployment is \_\_\_\_\_ the increase in many European countries.
5. I don't know \_\_\_\_\_ certain , but I think she's on leave at the moment.
6. There was nothing there anymore , so we had to start \_\_\_\_\_ scratch.
7. I ran \_\_\_\_\_ my old teacher the other day. It was nice to meet him again.
8. The unexpected success of the company took us \_\_\_\_\_ surprise.
9. All trains leaving from platform 4 are \_\_\_\_\_ time.
10. \_\_\_\_\_ my opinion, she must be the greatest athlete of all times.
11. There is a big ceremony being held \_\_\_\_\_ honour of the killed soldiers.
12. I'm sorry. I must have done it \_\_\_\_\_ mistake.
13. She waved me good-bye until our car was \_\_\_\_\_ sight.
14. I am not allowed to give them any alcohol. They are all \_\_\_\_\_ age.
15. He told us \_\_\_\_\_ brief what he wanted to do , but didn't go into much detail.
16. Jack has gone to New York \_\_\_\_\_ business.
17. You must be tired . Why don't you take a break \_\_\_\_\_ a change.
18. We have to be there \_\_\_\_\_ ten at the latest. Otherwise, they won't let us in.
19. My mother is suffering \_\_\_\_\_ cancer and there is not much hope for her.
20. They had to translate the document from English \_\_\_\_\_ Spanish.
21. Smoking in public places is \_\_\_\_\_ the law in many countries.
22. The boss looked \_\_\_\_\_ on him arrogantly.
23. Many products sold at the market have been carefully manufactured \_\_\_\_\_ hand
24. Many of the trains leaving London are currently running \_\_\_\_\_ schedule.

25. We were terrified \_\_\_\_\_ fear when we saw what had happened

26. They can't afford very much because they must live \_\_\_\_\_ the father's small pension.

27. Many species in the Amazon rain forest are \_\_\_\_\_ risk of becoming extinct.

28. A large part of the Netherlands lies \_\_\_\_\_ sea level.

29. My sister has been suffering \_\_\_\_\_ a nervous breakdown over the past few weeks.

30. When the interview was over the journalist asked the politician a few things \_\_\_\_\_ the record.

31. Strawberries are not \_\_\_\_\_ season at the moment, so we'll have to use other fruits.

32. You'll have to call an ambulance. There are no doctors \_\_\_\_\_ duty right now.

33. There are a few islands just miles \_\_\_\_\_ the coast.

34. If global warming continues \_\_\_\_\_ the present rate sea levels will rise very quickly.

35. I'm sorry. I lost the documents \_\_\_\_\_ accident. I didn't do it \_\_\_\_\_ purpose.

36. The future of the plant is \_\_\_\_\_ doubt owing to the current economic climate.

37. If my boss calls, please let me know \_\_\_\_\_ once.

38. We could not drive down the road because a tree had fallen and it was \_\_\_\_\_ the way.

39. \_\_\_\_\_ the time we arrived at the cinema, the film had started.

40. It was a good meeting, and \_\_\_\_\_ the whole, everybody was satisfied.

41. Bicycle thefts in the area are \_\_\_\_\_ the increase.

42. "Could I open the window?"                   "\_\_\_\_\_ all means."

43. The ambassador is attending the meeting \_\_\_\_\_ behalf of the government.

44. We can't start the project until we get the go-ahead, but \_\_\_\_\_ the meantime, we should at least start some preparation.

45. It will be difficult but, \_\_\_\_\_ the end of the day, it will have to be done.

46. The audience enjoyed the show, \_\_\_\_\_ and large.

47. Alexander Fleming discovered penicillin completely \_\_\_\_\_ accident.

48. She left \_\_\_\_\_ a hurry and forgot her smartphone.

49. The court case was dismissed \_\_\_\_\_ the grounds of a lack of credible evidence

50. I am still \_\_\_\_\_ touch with several of my schoolmates.

51. When I met my wife, it was love \_\_\_\_\_ first sight.

52. He doesn't speak Mandarin but he has learned many expressions \_\_\_\_\_ heart.

53. The hours before the meeting started were stressful and everybody was \_\_\_\_\_ edge.

54. The problem with working for the emergency services is that you are expected to go to work \_\_\_\_\_ a moment's notice.

55. While communication technology has advanced rapidly, it has \_\_\_\_\_ no means replaced the need for effective face-to-face communication.

56. We need to make sure the house is locked and secured as there are burglars \_\_\_\_\_ large.

57. The burglars were arrested and taken \_\_\_\_\_ force to the police station.

58. Tell him his services are no longer required. \_\_\_\_\_ other words, he's fired.

59. Most people in the UK have 3 weeks holiday a year, \_\_\_\_\_ average.

60. We sent a messenger to deliver the documents \_\_\_\_\_ hand.

61. He spoke \_\_\_\_\_ length about climate change and the need for renewable energy.

62. Don't walk into the studio when the red light is on. It means that the program is \_\_\_\_\_ air.

63. All traffic in the centre was \_\_\_\_\_ a standstill and we didn't move for nearly an hour.

64. Doreen was a very lively woman and did a lot in her lifetime. Sadly, she is now \_\_\_\_\_ peace.