

Adjective + preposition

I can use adjective + preposition collocations.

1 Choose the correct prepositions.

- 1 popular to / with
- 2 bad on / for
- 3 responsible for / about
- 4 keen on / with
- 5 used about / to
- 6 worried about / with

2 Complete the text with the adjectives and prepositions in exercise 1.



Vending machines in a school

Advertising IN SCHOOLS

A lot of parents and teachers are 1 _____ advertising in schools. Some food companies put up posters in schools and give leaflets to the students. Some companies give sports equipment to schools if students buy a lot of chocolate bars or crisps. Of course, a lot of students are 2 _____ these snacks and are happy to buy them. In some schools there are vending machines. These machines sell drinks and snacks that are 3 _____ teenagers – they love them! But the drinks and food are also 4 _____ your health, and some people say they are 5 _____ obesity in children. Other people say that students are 6 _____ advertisements and the students don't buy more snacks and drinks because of them.

3 Complete the sentences with the adjectives below.

bad disappointed full good kind

- 1 Fruit and vegetables are _____ for your health.
- 2 I'm good at science, but _____ at art and music.
- 3 These snacks are _____ of sugar and salt.
- 4 Always try to be _____ to other people.
- 5 I'm very _____ with my exam results.

4 Complete the sentences with the prepositions below.

at for in of (x2)

- 1 Are you interested _____ art and photography?
- 2 Josh is afraid _____ spiders! He hates them!
- 3 France is famous _____ its cheese and wine.
- 4 Thank you for your help. It's very kind _____ you.
- 5 I like maths, but I'm not very good _____ it.

VOCAB BOOST!

When you record new adjectives, record any prepositions that go with them. You can find this information in a dictionary, often in the example sentences.

5 Read the *Vocab boost!* box. Then look at the dictionary entries below and note down the prepositions that go with these adjectives.

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| 1 proud _____ | 4 excited _____ |
| 2 late _____ | 5 bored _____ |
| 3 similar _____ | |

bored /bɔ:d/ *adjective* not interested; unhappy because you have nothing interesting to do: *I'm **bored** with this book.*

excited /ɪk'saɪtɪd/ *adjective* not calm, for example because you're happy about something that's going to happen: *He's getting very **excited** about his holiday.*

similar /sɪmələ(r)/ *adjective* the same in some ways, but not completely the same: *Rats are **similar** to mice, but they are bigger.*

proud /praʊd/ *adjective* pleased about something that you or others have done: *They are **proud** of their new house.*

late /leɪt/ *adjective, adverb* after the usual or right time: *I was **late** for school today.*