

A Tale of Two Statues

Choose the correct preposition. In one case there are two possible options.

Until very recently the statue of a man called Edward Colston stood in the middle of the city of Bristol in the south of England. The trouble _____ this statue was that Edward Colston had been involved _____ the slave trade and many people felt the presence of the statue was not sensitive _____ the multicultural population of Bristol. It was believed that the city should be ashamed _____ this man rather than celebrating him and that it was in need _____ a change.



After a while some people became fed up _____ waiting and felt obliged _____ do something. At the time that the Black Lives Matter protests started in response _____ the death of George Floyd in the United States, people in Bristol became still more conscious _____ the need _____ change things. The protestors pulled the statue down and threw it _____ the harbour. It is now being prepared _____ go into a museum.



In place _____ the original, a new statue of a protestor giving the Black Panther salute was placed on the plinth. The artist responsible _____ the statue said "It is such a powerful image, of a moment I felt had to be materialised, forever." Unfortunately there wasn't much time to become familiar _____ this new statue before it was also removed. The residents of Bristol will be keeping an eye _____ the plinth to see what happens next.