

## 2E preposition+noun phrases

Complete the sentences with the correct prepositions.

1. You're here \_\_\_\_\_ last. I've been waiting for ages!
2. My cousin's staying with us \_\_\_\_\_ now, until he finds his own place.
3. The future of that company is \_\_\_\_\_ doubt because it's losing money.
4. Let's meet at 8.00. \_\_\_\_\_ second thoughts, we'd better make it 7.15 so that we have time to get the tickets.
5. I was \_\_\_\_\_ the impression that it was going to rain today.
6. Sorry I'm late. I got on the wrong bus \_\_\_\_\_ mistake.
7. \_\_\_\_\_ course she'll be upset if you don't go to her party. You're her best friend!

Complete the sentences with preposition and noun phrases. Use a noun from below and add the correct preposition.

*accident      the wrong      good      any case      the whole*

1. I pressed the 'delete' button on my camera \_\_\_\_\_ and lost all the photos I had taken of our holiday.
2. My grandparents have decided to move to Portugal \_\_\_\_\_. They don't want to live in England anymore because it's too cold!
3. Coming in third place definitely puts me \_\_\_\_\_ as I should have trained harder.
4. It may rain later, but \_\_\_\_\_ we should still go for a hike.
5. There were some issues with the hotel, but \_\_\_\_\_, the holiday was great.

Complete the sentences with the expressions from the list.

1. \_\_\_\_\_ she arrived at the party, everyone had already left.
2. Our train departed \_\_\_\_\_ and we arrived at our destination early.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ of the road, there is a beautiful beach with white sand.
4. \_\_\_\_\_, they decided to go with my idea for the project.
5. She managed to finish her exam \_\_\_\_\_ despite starting it late.

Complete the text with the given phrases.

in common    at fault    on purpose

not at all    at first    in control    in trouble

Johnny and I were at the park. We didn't have much \_\_\_\_\_, but we both liked skateboarding. \_\_\_\_\_, Johnny was really nice. Then he started doing tricks \_\_\_\_\_ to make me look bad. He said I was \_\_\_\_\_ that he fell off his skateboard. But he was \_\_\_\_\_ hurt. Johnny was always \_\_\_\_\_ of what he did, and he was never \_\_\_\_\_ for anything.

of interest    at once    for the time being    on the one hand

at stake    on the other hand    under arrest

The story of the man who was three different people is \_\_\_\_\_ to all. He was born in France in 1798 and he died in Paris in 1874. When he was \_\_\_\_\_ for the first time, it was by the French police. But when they let him go, he was \_\_\_\_\_ arrested again - this time by the English police. \_\_\_\_\_, he was a prisoner of the British government. \_\_\_\_\_, his life was not \_\_\_\_\_. But \_\_\_\_\_, everything else was.

in that case    under control    under age

under pressure    in fact    for one thing

The fire was \_\_\_\_\_ within an hour. Well, \_\_\_\_\_, the building was empty at the time. But \_\_\_\_\_, how did the fire start? The police think it was arson. And what about the security guard? \_\_\_\_\_, he was only fifteen. This means, he was \_\_\_\_\_. So he shouldn't have been there. But his father is the manager of the company so he put the guard's manager \_\_\_\_\_ to give the boy a job.