5E Word Skills

Adjective + preposition

I can use the correct prepositions after adjectives.

1 Circle the correct prepositions.

1 His eyes are very sensitive **at** / **to** bright lights.
2 Are you excited **about** / **for** your holiday?
3 She wasn't very pleased **in** / **with** her present.
4 Don't worry, nobody is angry **about** / **with** you.
5 I want 90%, but I'd be satisfied **for** / **with** 75%.
6 Who is responsible **about** / **for** all this mess?
7 I'm not familiar **to** / **with** this part of town, so it's easy to get lost.
8 If you were dissatisfied **from** / **with** your hotel room, you should have complained.

2 Complete the text with *about, at, in, of, on, to,* or *with*.



Scientists have been aware [1]_____ technology addictions for many years, but now there is a new kind: recently a man needed treatment after becoming addicted [2]_____ Google Glass.

The 31-year-old American man visited a clinic in the USA because he was worried [3]_____ an alcohol addiction. He had to take off his Google Glass when he arrived – and doctors were shocked [4]_____ his reaction. He suffered withdrawal symptoms which were very similar [5]_____ drug or alcohol withdrawal.

Originally, the man had become keen [6]_____ Google Glass because it helped him to become better [7]_____ his job. He gradually became more and more obsessed [8]_____ the device. However, he also began to feel unhappy [9]_____ the effect that it was having on his mood: he became bad-tempered and forgetful when he was not wearing it. The device was helping him to be successful [10]_____ his job, but it was harmful [11]_____ the rest of his life.

At first, the doctors at the clinic were curious [12]_____ one symptom: the man kept tapping the right side of his head with his finger. The man later explained that this was how you changed the view on Google Glass.

3 Tick the best summary of the text in exercise 2.

a A man in the USA developed an addiction to Google Glass while he was receiving treatment for another addiction. ☐
b A man in the USA became addicted to Google Glass after using it at work. ☐
c A man in the USA found it so difficult to break his addiction to Google Glass that he developed an alcohol addiction. ☐

4 Complete the questions with a preposition. Then write true answers about yourself.

1 Which friend or family member do you get angry _____ most often?
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_____

2 What kinds of thing do you get angry _____ ?
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3 In what ways can social media be harmful _____ teenagers?
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4 Which gadget are you most likely to become addicted _____, in your opinion? Why?
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VOCAB BOOST!

Dictionaries often use abbreviations so that they can include a lot of information in a small space. Common abbreviations used in dictionaries include:

abbr (abbreviation)	*etc. (and so on)*
prep (preposition)	*pron (pronoun)*
sing (singular)	*pl (plural)*
pt (past tense)	*pp (past participle)*
C (countable noun)	*U (uncountable noun)*
BrE (British English)	*AmE (American English)*

5 Read the *Vocab boost!* box. Then study the dictionary entry and write the abbreviations below in full.

appropriate /əˈprəʊpriət/ *adj* **appropriate (for/to sth/sb)** suitable or right for a particular situation, person, use, etc.: *The matter will be dealt with by the appropriate authorities.* ◆ *I don't think this film is appropriate for young children.* OPP **inappropriate** > **appropriately** *adv*

1 adj _____
2 sth _____
3 sb _____
4 OPP _____
5 adv _____

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