

PREPOSITIONAL VERBS

LOOK AT	<i>"He was looking at the stars, bewildered"</i>
LISTEN TO	<i>" Listen to your heart. It will tell you what to do"</i>
WAIT FOR	<i>" Don't wait for me. I'll probably be late"</i>
TALK TO	<i>" If you talk to her, you will both understand each other"</i>
TALK ABOUT	<i>" Marta was talking about her last weekend"</i>
DEPEND ON	<i>" Your fate and your life will depend on your attitude"</i>
TO BE USED TO (+Ving)	<i>" She is not used to working so hard"</i>
DEAL WITH	<i>" This novel deals with a king who didn't want to die"</i>
SUFFER FROM	<i>" There are many people suffering from pneumonia"</i>
APOLOGISE TO	<i>" You should apologise to her".</i>
APOLOGISE FOR	<i>" You should apologise to her for your behaviour"</i>
BE SORRY ABOUT	<i>" I'm really sorry about your father's death"</i>
THINK ABOUT	<i>" She can't stop thinking about that wonderful night"</i>
CONSIST OF	<i>" This grammar consists of 67 units"</i>
CONSIST IN	<i>" Happiness consists in not wishing what you don't have"</i>
REMIND SBDY OF	<i>" You sound like my dad; when you speak you remind me of him"</i>
INSIST ON	<i>" I must insist on that idea"</i>
SPEND ON	<i>" Fiona spent all her money on a second- hand car"</i>
AGREE WITH	<i>" Do you agree with me?"</i>
DEPRIVE (sb) OF	<i>" The house mortgage deprives me of travelling"</i>
PREVENT (sb/sth) FROM	<i>" Vaccines prevent people from diseases and death"</i>
APPLY FOR	<i>" I'm writing to apply for a job as a waiter.</i>
SUCCEED IN	<i>" Mark never succeeds in earning his living as a singer"</i>
APPROVE OF	<i>" Laura's parents never approved of her radical ideas"</i>

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Exercise 1.- Complete the boxes with the right preposition and match them to their meaning.

Verb	Preposition	Meaning
LISTEN		CONSENTIR/APROBAR
LOOK		INSISTIR (en)
DEPEND		PADECER (de)
CONSIST		ESPERAR (a)
CONSIST		TATAR (de)
DEAL		LLEGAR (a) (lugares pequeños)
SUFFER		ESTAR ACOSTUMBRADO (a)
DEPRIVE (sb)		ESTAR DE ACUERDO (con alguien)
ARRIVE		MIRAR
ARRIVE		Recordar (a alguien algo)
INSIST		PRIVAR (a alguien)(de)
APOLOGISE		SOLICITAR
APPROVE		IMPEDIR que alguien haga algo
BE USED		CONSISTIR (en)
WAIT		ESCUCHAR
SPEND		GASTAR (en)
REMIND (sb)		CONSTAR (de)
PREVENT (sb/sth)		DISCULPARSE (a alguien) (por)
APPLY		DEPENDER (de)
SUCCEED		TENER ÉXITO (en)
AGREE		LLEGAR (a)(lugares grandes)

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Exercise 2

PRACTICE. - Complete the sentences by introducing the right preposition in the blank.

- How much did you spend _____ that dress?
- Paul was waiting _____ the train when I saw him.
- You should think _____ my advice before you act.
- The manager apologised _____ the workers _____ his manners.
- The film deals _____ a man who overcomes his fears and his horrible past
- Our survival depends _____ the authorities' help.
- The English exam consists _____ 5 parts.
- My uncle suffers _____ rheumatism.
 - I am afraid I don't agree _____ that point of view.
 - The government insist _____ that social policy.
 - Look _____ yourself in the mirror. You're a wreck
 - The judge deprived him _____ his freedom.
 - Yesterday I apologised _____ my teacher _____ my bad behaviour.
 - You look completely in a dream. What are you thinking _____?
 - You'll never succeed _____ finding a better job.
 - After he had listened _____ to the speaker, he looked _____ the audience and left.
 - I couldn't agree more _____ that opinion. You're absolutely right.
 - That law will prevent bullies _____ attacking their victims.
 - People who suffer _____ heart diseases are treated here.

"Practice makes perfect."

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- s) Come on! What are you waiting _____? We don't have the whole day.
- t) I spent all my savings _____ the wedding rings.
- u) The book you're about to read deals _____ a very current affair.
- v) I would like to apply _____ a teaching position at this school
- x) This film reminds me _____ my childhood in Alaska
- y) The key to succeed as a human being consists _____ finding a meaning to your life.
- z) My daughter is not used _____ wearing such tight clothes.

Exercise 3.- Prepositional verbs + Vocabulary. Translate into English.

- 1.- Estás malgastando tu tiempo. No insistas en esa idea de nuevo.

- 2.- Nadie puede privarnos de nuestros derechos

- 3.- Tu sentido del humor y de la justicia me recuerda a mi hermano mayor

- 4.- El documental trata de los escasez de recursos y libertad en África.

- 5.- La multitud esperaba a sus líderes

- 6.- Cuando llegues a Alemania, dímelo

- 7.- Peggy padece de trastornos alimentarios.

- 8.- He solicitado ayuda económica para empezar un negocio

- 9.- Tu trabajo depende de tu actitud y rendimiento

- 10.- Muchos ciudadanos pueden beneficiarse de estas medidas sociales

- 11.- No apruebo ese comportamiento despiadado porque perjudica tu desarrollo

- 12.- Hice un mal uso de mis derechos y te pido disculpa por ello.

- 13.- Mi principal objetivo consiste en ayudar a aquellos que lo necesitan

- 14.- Si finalmente triunfas en la vida, recuerda que lo mereces.

- 15.-La vida consta de pocas tragedias, muchos desafíos e incontables decisiones.

- 16.- Gaste todo mi dinero en cosas que no me hacían feliz y ahora lo lamento

- 17.- Al contrario que Jaime, no estoy acostumbrado a vivir en la ciudad, siempre abarrotada

- 18.- Tener mucho dinero puede impedirte ser feliz y llevar una vida con significado. Depende de la forma que lo gestiones. _____
- 19.- No me hables así. No es propio de ti tener esos modales

- 20.- Si quieres desarrollar tu personalidad, debes escuchar mucho en lugar de hablar.
