

Dependent Prepositions

Exercises & Keys

Exercise 1

Add a preposition to these sentences where one is needed. Note: some have zero preposition!

1. She is interested _____ all types of music, but fanatical _____ jazz.
2. We are almost totally dependent _____ the weather.
3. The film is loosely based _____ the book.
4. The government have set up a group to enquire _____ airport accidents.
5. She has been doing research _____ cancer for twenty years.
6. Although he paints, he is most famous _____ his poetry.
7. I could never get accustomed _____ the cold weather.
8. I got so totally absorbed _____ the film, I forgot the cake!
9. We have been flooded _____ requests to show the programme again.
10. He is capable _____ turning the company's fortunes around.
11. His views are reminiscent _____ the old Labour Party.
12. The bicycle was tied _____ the roof of the car.
13. Nobody is certain _____ the future but some are convinced _____ the past.
14. She was suspicious _____ his motives from the start.
15. They are protesting _____ the funding cutbacks.
16. I am content _____ the progress she has made.
17. I am amazed _____ the progress she has made.
18. I am concerned _____ her poor progress.
19. His name is linked _____ the club.
20. I am involved _____ several pressure groups.
21. What time did you arrive _____ the hotel?
22. He has a reputation _____ arriving early.
23. She was blamed _____ the accident.
24. Everybody blamed the accident _____ her.
25. Don't forget to ask _____ a receipt when you leave.
26. I congratulated Sue and Tim _____ their decision to get married.
27. The meal consisted _____ seven courses.
28. The course leader should provide you _____ the necessary resources.
29. How much money do you spend _____ food every week?
30. Everybody is laughing _____ my new haircut!
31. The team entered _____ the stadium.
32. What time do we arrive _____ Paris?
33. Maria is really good _____ volleyball.
34. She is also really good _____ kids.
35. We finally arrived _____ home at midnight.

KEY

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1. in + about 2. on 3. on 4. into 5. on 6. for 7. to 8. in/by 9. with 10. of 11. of 12. to 13. of/about + about/of 14. of 15. against (US English = no preposition) 16. with 17. at/by 18. about/by 19. to/with 20. in/with 21. at 22. for 23. for 24. on 25. for 26. on 27. of 28. with 29. on 30. at 31. no preposition 32. in 33. at 34. with 35. no preposition