



## 1.1 Adjective + Preposition - 1

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Complete each sentence by using an adjective from the list on the left and a preposition from the list on the right.

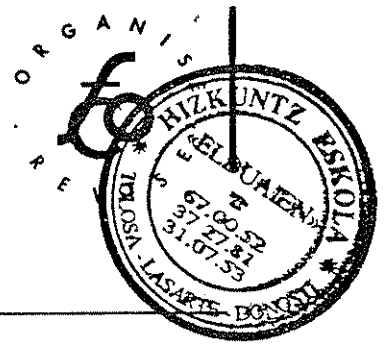
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accustomed	dependent	proud	at
afraid	famous	ready	for
ashamed	full	relevant	of
aware	good	responsible	on
capable	jealous	typical	to

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1. She was ..... her friend because she had a better dress.
  2. The waste paper bin was ..... crumpled sheets of paper.
  3. This computer is ..... producing sophisticated graphics.
  4. The town is especially ..... its elegant architecture.
  5. I felt very ..... making such a stupid mistake.
  6. After weeks of preparation the hall is nearly ..... the grand opening.
  7. Could you add this up for me? I'm not very ..... maths.
  8. Who is ..... writing those words on the wall?
  9. She was so ..... her nephew's achievement that she couldn't stop talking about it.
  10. It took some time to get ..... the pace of life in the country after the frantic atmosphere of the town.
  11. We try to eat food which is ..... the region in which we are travelling.
  12. Are you ..... any reason why he should be late?
  13. They built nuclear power stations so as not to be ..... coal as their main source of energy.
  14. This is not really ..... our discussion so can we get back to the main point of the meeting?
  15. He sleeps with the light on because he's ..... the dark.
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Complete each group of partnerships with the correct preposition.

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|---------------|-------|------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|-------|----------------------------------------------------------|
| 1. accustomed | ..... | peace and quiet<br>getting up late<br>so much noise        | 9. good         | ..... | her job<br>adding up<br>English                          |
| 2. afraid     | ..... | the dark<br>making a mistake<br>saying something silly     | 10. jealous     | ..... | what other people do<br>her rich friends<br>his English! |
| 3. ashamed    | ..... | yourself<br>what I've done<br>doing a thing like that      |                 |       |                                                          |
| 4. aware      | ..... | a strange smell<br>people staring<br>looking rather untidy | 11. proud       | ..... | her grandson<br>his work<br>what he's done               |
| 5. capable    | ..... | high speeds<br>working fast<br>anything!                   | 12. ready       | ..... | anything<br>bed<br>the next question                     |
| 6. dependent  | ..... | imports<br>how he feels<br>what happens                    | 13. relevant    | ..... | the argument<br>our discussion<br>the problem            |
| 7. famous     | ..... | its museums<br>making pottery<br>his paintings             | 14. responsible | ..... | the equipment<br>making a mess<br>France and Italy       |
| 8. full       | ..... | pride<br>fun<br>dark green liquid                          | 15. typical     | ..... | the region<br>the way he acts<br>people who ....         |



Test yourself from time to time by covering the words that follow each adjective. How many partnership words can you remember?

## 1.2 Adjective + Preposition - 2

Complete each sentence by using an adjective from the list on the left and a preposition from the list on the right.

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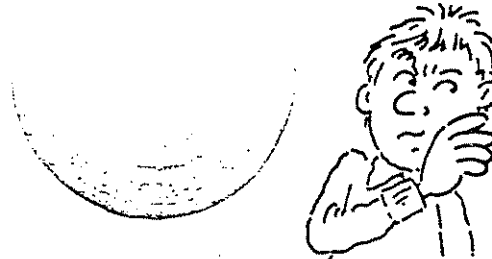
absent	opposed	suitable	at	for
better	satisfied	suspicious	from	of
guilty	short	terrified	on	to
keen	similar	terrible	with	
late	sorry	tired		

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1. Because of the flu epidemic many staff were ..... work.
  2. They were ..... strangers so they kept following us around and watching what we were doing.
  3. I feel really ..... her because she has to do all the work while the others go out and enjoy themselves.
  4. They won't be ..... just a small party! They'll want to invite every single one of their friends!
  5. I must hurry or I'll be ..... work.
  6. She's never been very ..... going to meetings so I wouldn't be surprised if she doesn't turn up.
  7. The jury found him ..... robbing the bank.
  8. We're totally ..... the road-widening scheme and will fight it all the way.
  9. She's much ..... driving than he is.
  10. I'm a bit ..... money at the moment so could you pay?
  11. She's not really ..... this job. We wanted someone older.
  12. This incident is very ..... what happened yesterday except that it was later on in the day.
  13. She wouldn't tell her father because she was ..... what he might do if he lost his temper.
  14. I can recognise faces but I'm ..... remembering names!
  15. He got ..... hearing the same old excuses, day after day.
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Complete each group of partnerships with the correct preposition.

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| <p>1. absent ..... school<br/>work<br/>the meeting</p> <p>2. better ..... sport than me<br/>explaining things<br/>maths</p> <p>3. guilty ..... wasting time<br/>murder<br/>not listening</p> <p>4. keen ..... football<br/>making models<br/>fashion</p> <p>5. late ..... the meeting<br/>work<br/>school</p> <p>6. opposed ..... this scheme<br/>paying so much<br/>wasting more money</p> <p>7. satisfied ..... the result<br/>what I've done<br/>how things went</p> <p>8. short ..... money<br/>breath<br/>time</p> | <p>9. similar ..... my dress<br/>what I saw<br/>the one I've got</p> <p>10. sorry ..... yourself<br/>what I said<br/>being late</p> <p>11. suitable ..... handicapped people<br/>children<br/>the time of year</p> <p>12. suspicious ..... strangers<br/>everything he says<br/>people who ask<br/>questions</p> <p>13. terrified ..... missing the train<br/>what he'll do<br/>being alone</p> <p>14. terrible ..... mathematics<br/>spelling<br/>remembering names</p> <p>15. tired ..... this weather<br/>eating this stuff<br/>waiting</p> |
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Test yourself from time to time by covering the words that follow each adjective. How many partnership words can you remember?

## 1.3 Verb + Preposition - 1

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Complete each sentence with the correct form of one of the verbs below and the preposition **from** or **on**.  
Use each verb once only.

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borrow	decide	escape	prevent	resign
concentrate	depend	insist	recover	retire
congratulate	differ	operate	rely	suffer

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1. She ..... her job after she was offered another with more responsibility and a higher salary.
  2. He might come. It will ..... how he feels.
  3. You must ..... the road when you're driving!
  4. He got very annoyed and ..... seeing the manager.
  5. The surgeon ..... her immediately and saved her life.
  6. I decided to ..... my job early even though it meant I wouldn't get such a good pension.
  7. It will take her weeks to ..... such a major operation so she won't be back at work for some time.
  8. We had security men on the door to ..... unwanted guests ..... getting into the party.
  9. I've sent her a card to ..... her ..... passing her test.
  10. The bank wouldn't lend me the money so I had to ..... it ..... my parents.
  11. This design ..... slightly ..... the first one I showed you.
  12. I ..... backache so I have to go to a physiotherapist once a week.
  13. After weeks of discussion they've finally ..... the new colour scheme for the staff canteen.
  14. They managed to ..... the prison by bribing a guard.
  15. You can ..... Frances to keep you up to date with all the latest gossip.
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Now put the correct preposition in each group of partnerships.

1. borrow a book ..... the library  
my parents  
a friend of his

9. operate ..... a patient

2. concentrate ..... your work  
driving  
what I'm doing

10. prevent  ..... doing what they want  
leaving  
cheating

3. congratulate  ..... his results  
her success  
winning

11. recover ..... a cold  
a serious illness  
a nasty shock

4. decide ..... a colour scheme  
which to choose  
the (blue) one

12. rely ..... every employee  
you to do your best  
the bus service

5. depend ..... imports  
how I feel  
if I have time or not

13. resign ..... the committee  
his job

6. differ ..... the others  
what I expected  
what I really wanted

14. retire ..... work at 65

7. escape ..... prison  
this routine  
the crowd



8. insist ..... good service  
seeing her  
punctuality

15. suffer ..... a headache  
toothache  
a bad cold

Notice when you need an ...ing form of the verb. This is important in the exam.

## 1.4 Verb + Preposition - 2



PAPER 1  
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Complete each sentence with the correct form of one of the verbs below and the preposition **of, for, in** or **to**.  
Use each verb once only.







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accuse	believe	consist	object	search
apologise	belong	forgive	pay	specialise
approve	blame	hope	remind	succeed

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1. The test ..... two written papers and an interview.
2. I've kept the luggage label as a souvenir to ..... me ..... the wonderful holiday we had.
3. After taking a general course she decided to ..... tropical medicine.
4. After trying for an hour I finally ..... starting the car.
5. Where will I find the money to ..... a new suit?
6. That coat ..... Andrew and this is Ricky's.
7. Some guests have ..... having to pay extra to use the swimming pool. I'm not surprised they're annoyed!
8. Army helicopters were brought in to help ..... the missing children.
9. I had never ..... ghosts until I stayed at a mysterious old house in the country.
10. He wrote a letter ..... all the trouble he had caused and asking her to forgive him.
11. He's the person in charge. I ..... him ..... the mix-up.
12. By the way she spoke you could see that she didn't ..... the arrangements for the wedding.
13. I don't think I'll ever ..... her ..... the way she made me look such a fool in front of all those people.
14. The policeman ..... him ..... breaking into the house but he said he could prove he had been somewhere else.
15. Let's ..... the best. You never know - the weather might clear up.

Now put the correct preposition in each group of partnerships.  
 Pay careful attention to the expressions which are followed by the ... **ing** form of the verb.

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| 1. accuse     | ..... | murder<br>breaking in<br>not caring            | 9. hope                                                                                        | ..... | the best<br>a good result<br>better luck next time!                                                                               |
| 2. apologise                                                                                   | ..... | my mistake<br>being late<br>forgetting         | 10. object                                                                                     | ..... | the by-pass<br>paying extra<br> using my phone |
| 3. approve                                                                                     | ..... | all-night TV<br>his friends<br>smoking         | 11. pay                                                                                        | ..... | the meal<br>having my car fixed<br>wasting so much time                                                                           |
| 4. believe                                                                                     | ..... | healthy exercise<br>eating well<br>ghosts      | 12. remind  | ..... | my holiday<br>the time we ....<br>something that<br>happened to me....                                                            |
| 5. belong                                                                                      | ..... | my dog<br>a friend of mine<br>everyone         |           |       |                                                                                                                                   |
| 6. blame    | ..... | the disaster<br>what happened<br>getting angry |                                                                                                |       |                                                                                                                                   |
| 7. consist                                                                                     | ..... | two parts<br>three sections<br>five papers     | 14. specialise                                                                                 | ..... | fast food<br>commercial French<br>selling furniture                                                                               |
| 8. forgive  | ..... | what he did<br>leaving me<br>not asking        | 15. succeed                                                                                    | ..... | my attempts to ...<br>meeting her<br>passing my exam                                                                              |



## 1.5 Verb + Noun + Preposition - 1

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In this exercise you must complete each sentence with a suitable verb and preposition from the lists below.

You may use each verb or preposition more than once.

Make sure you use the correct form of the verb!

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catch	keep	lose	take	of	on	to
make	pay	put				

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1. She ..... advantage ..... her father's good mood and asked if her boyfriend could stay for dinner.
2. Was anybody ..... attention ..... what she was saying?
3. Could you ..... care ..... our dog while we're on holiday?
4. She ..... charge ..... the project when Mr East was away.
5. I've ..... count ..... the number of times he's said that.
6. Could you ..... an eye ..... the washing while I'm out?
7. I wish she wouldn't ..... such a fuss ..... her nephew! You can see he really hates it!
8. .... no notice ..... him! He's just showing off!
9. The salesman started to ..... pressure ..... her to sign the agreement straightaway.
10. While I was watching the match, I ..... sight ..... them standing at the back of the crowd.
11. We must ..... a stop ..... all this arguing.
12. Don't forget you'll have to ..... tax ..... that money you earned, so you're not as rich as you thought you were!

**STUDY TIP**

Look back at the exercise and underline the complete word partnership in each sentence (for example, *catch sight of someone*.)



Complete the first column by using the partnerships from the exercise and these four expressions.

set fire .....      make sense .....      take pity .....      play a trick .....

Space has been left for you to add your own partnerships.

PHRASE		MEANING
1. ....	of	benefit while you can
2. ....	of	look after
3. ....	of	be in control
4. ....	of	not remember how many
5. ....	of	hug, kiss, give presents etc.
6. ....	of	ignore
7. ....	of	understand
8. ....	of	see suddenly
9. ....	on	watch, check now and again
10. ....	on	feel very sorry for
11. ....	on	try to persuade
12. ....	on	give money to the government!
13. ....	on	deceive
14. ....	to	listen carefully
15. ....	to	start something burning
16. ....	to	not allow to continue
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Test yourself later by covering the first column and looking at the definition on the right.

## 1.6 Verb + Noun + Preposition - 2

Complete each sentence with the correct form of **make** or **take** and one of the prepositions below.

You may use each preposition more than once.

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**for from in off with**

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1. He's very shy so it's not easy to ..... friends ..... him.
2. I've still got to ..... all the arrangements ..... the party next weekend.
3. He refused to ..... all the credit ..... the success and said that it had been a team effort.
4. Many local people have ..... an active interest ..... our plans to bring live music back to the town.
5. For the first few months he ..... great pride ..... showing people around his new house.
6. I watched a comedy programme to try and ..... my mind ..... what had happened.
7. Why should I ..... the blame ..... the mix-up?
8. We've moved the wardrobe to ..... room ..... an extra bed.
9. We don't ..... a charge ..... repairs if the item is still under guarantee.
10. She's agreed to ..... part ..... next month's show.
11. I finally ..... contact ..... him at his New York office.
12. She's ..... a remarkable recovery ..... her illness.

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Underline the complete word partnership in each sentence above.

**STUDY TIP**

There are a lot of word partnerships that include the verbs **make** and **take**. (You have already seen some in the previous exercise.) This means that there could be a question in Paper 3 (Use of English) about expressions with either of these two words.



Below you will see a list of word partnerships with **make** and **take**.  
 Most are from the exercise opposite but some more have been added.  
 Supply the missing preposition in each case.  
 Space has been left for you to add any more partnerships that you find.

1. You make an application ..... a job as a secretary.
2. You make arrangements ..... the party next week.
3. You make a charge ..... repairing the broken door.
4. You make contact ..... a customer by telex.
5. You make friends ..... other members of the class.
6. You make a recovery ..... a serious illness.
7. You make room ..... an extra person at table.
8. You take the blame ..... what went wrong.
9. You take the credit ..... making the party a success.
10. You take an interest ..... the project.
11. You take a look ..... some important papers.
12. You take your mind ..... what happened.
13. You take part ..... a competition.
14. You take great pleasure ..... presenting her with her prize.
15. You take pride ..... showing the model you've made.



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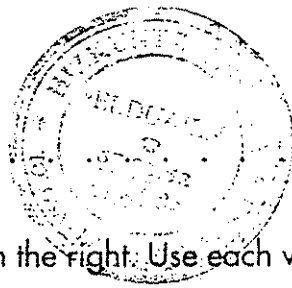
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# 1.7 Noun + Verb



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Match each noun on the left with a verb on the right. Use each word once only. Write your answers in the boxes.

## EXERCISE 1

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| 1. an accident | a. barks   |
| 2. a dog       | b. beats   |
| 3. a heart     | c. boils   |
| 4. snow        | d. falls   |
| 5. the sun     | e. fits    |
| 6. a sweater   | f. happens |
| 7. a team      | g. loses   |
| 8. a telephone | h. passes  |
| 9. time        | i. rings   |
| 10. water      | j. shines  |

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## EXERCISE 2 Now do the same with these words.


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| 1. a band           | a. burns    |
| 2. a car            | b. fades    |
| 3. a carton of milk | c. gathers  |
| 4. a colour         | d. itches   |
| 5. a crowd          | e. lands    |
| 6. a fire           | f. leaks    |
| 7. a nose           | g. plays    |
| 8. a patient        | h. recovers |
| 9. a plane          | i. sails    |
| 10. a ship          | j. skids    |

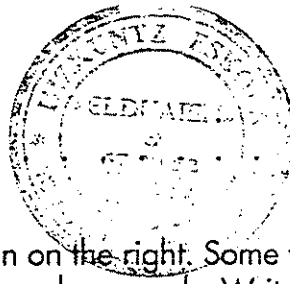
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Now write sentences using the partnerships you have seen.  
Can you think of any more verbs that can follow the nouns above?

Put each of the following nouns once only in a suitable partnership.  
 Put another verb with each noun. (For help, look at the opposite page.)

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| a band   | a crowd | a heart | a ship  | a sweater |
| a car    | a dog   | a nose  | snow    | a team    |
| a colour | a fire  | a plane | the sun | water     |

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|---------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1. .... | rises<br>sets<br>.....        | 9. ....                                                                              | crashes<br>starts<br>.....     |
| 2. .... | grows<br>cheers<br>.....      | 10. ....                                                                             | practises<br>wins<br>.....     |
| 3. .... | drifts<br>melts<br>.....      | 11. ....                                                                             | freezes<br>flows<br>.....      |
| 4. .... | floats<br>sinks<br>.....      |  |                                |
| 5. .... | crashes<br>flies<br>.....     | 12. ....                                                                             | growls<br>bites<br>.....       |
| 6. .... | pounds<br>breaks!<br>.....    | 13. ....                                                                             | performs<br>rehearses<br>..... |
| 7. .... | stretches<br>shrinks<br>..... | 14. ....                                                                             | clashes<br>matches<br>.....    |
| 8. .... | spreads<br>glows<br>.....     | 15. ....                                                                             | bleeds<br>runs<br>.....        |



# 1.8 Verb + Noun

PAPER 1  
PAPER 3

Match each verb on the left with a noun on the right. Some verbs can be followed by more than one noun but you must use each word once only. Write your answers in the boxes.

### EXERCISE 1

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|-----------|----------------------|
| 1. catch  | a. breakfast         |
| 2. change | b. your breath       |
| 3. do     | c. your own business |
| 4. give   | d. a corner          |
| 5. have   | e. (me) a favour     |
| 6. hold   | f. fire              |
| 7. mind   | g. house             |
| 8. move   | h. your mind         |
| 9. take   | i. permission        |
| 10. turn  | j. place             |

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### EXERCISE 2 Now do the same with these words.

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| 1. do    | a. evidence       |
| 2. give  | b. an example     |
| 3. have  | c. fun            |
| 4. keep  | d. home           |
| 5. lead  | e. a mistake      |
| 6. leave | f. a seat         |
| 7. make  | g. the truth      |
| 8. set   | h. the washing-up |
| 9. take  | i. watch          |
| 10. tell | j. the way        |

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Now write sentences using the partnerships you have found.

Put each of the following verbs once only in a suitable partnership. Put another noun with each verb. (For help, look at the opposite page.)

catch      change      do      give      have      hold      keep  
leave      make      set      take      tell      turn

1. .... the page  
the handle  
.....

8. .... a bus  
a cold  
.....

2. .... a meeting  
my hand  
.....

9. .... your homework  
the ironing  
.....

3. .... your time  
her temperature  
.....

10. .... lies  
a story  
.....

4. .... a message  
a space  
.....



5. .... advice  
an interview  
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11. .... a light bulb  
trains  
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6. .... a headache  
a shower  
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12. .... a secret  
a diary  
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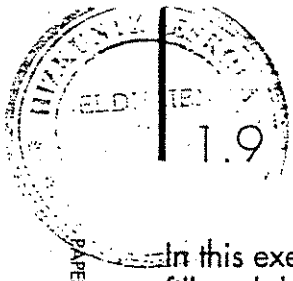
7. .... progress  
a noise  
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13. .... some homework  
the alarm  
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**STUDY TIP**

The four verbs **give**, **have**, **make** and **take** form many partnerships so it is worth noting down any new expressions you meet. Write a sentence for each of the expressions. This will help you to remember what they mean and how they are used.





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# 1.9 Verb + Noun (Antonyms)

In this exercise you will see sentences which include a verb in capital letters. You have to fill each blank with the antonym (opposite) of that verb.

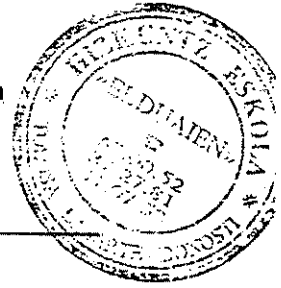
Choose from the list of verbs below. Use each verb once only and make sure you use the correct form of the verb.

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accept	fail	keep	nod
attack	forget	lengthen	tighten
catch	hide	lower	
deny	hit	miss	

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1. He refused to CONFIRM or ..... the report.
  2. I ..... the bus this morning so I'll get there early tomorrow to make sure I CATCH it.
  3. He ..... his head if he agreed and SHOOK his head if he didn't.
  4. They've RAISED a few prices and ..... some others.
  5. Do you really expect her to ..... her promise after she's BROKEN so many others?
  6. He was the only one who ..... my offer after all the others had REJECTED it.
  7. I'll THROW the ball and you can ..... it.
  8. Only one bullet ..... the target. All the others MISSED.
  9. I can REMEMBER where it was I met her but I've ..... when.
  10. Rather than ..... the lunch break, they want to SHORTEN it.
  11. The first time I took my driving test, I ..... . In fact, I only PASSED at the fourth attempt.
  12. We were supposed to ..... our feelings and not SHOW any emotion, whatever happened.
  13. He thought he was ..... the mechanism but in fact he was LOOSENING it.
  14. Their forwards were ..... the goal so almost the whole team raced back to DEFEND it.
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Put an antonym in each blank. Use these for the new partnerships:

borrow      complicate      enter      lose      save      strengthen

Space has been left for you to add more examples of your own.

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|--------------|-------|---------------|
| 1. accept    | ..... | an offer      |
| 2. attack    | ..... | a proposal    |
| 3. break     | ..... | a promise     |
| 4. catch     | ..... | a bus         |
| 5. confirm   | ..... | a statement   |
| 6. fail      | ..... | a test        |
| 7. gain      | ..... | confidence    |
| 8. lend      | ..... | money         |
| 9. leave     | ..... | a building    |
| 10. miss     | ..... | the target    |
| 11. nod      | ..... | your head     |
| 12. raise    | ..... | prices        |
| 13. remember | ..... | a name        |
| 14. show     | ..... | your feelings |
| 15. shorten  | ..... | a skirt       |
| 16. simplify | ..... | matters       |
| 17. throw    | ..... | a ball        |
| 18. tighten  | ..... | your grip     |
| 19. waste    | ..... | time          |
| 20. weaken   | ..... | an argument   |

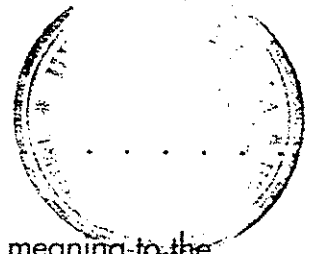
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## 1.10 Adjective + Noun (Antonyms)



Complete each sentence by using an adjective which is opposite in meaning to the adjective in capital letters.

Use an adjective from the list below.

Use each adjective once only.

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artificial	emotional	light	stale
busy	exact	low	superior
calm	flexible	rapid	
dark	gentle	shallow	

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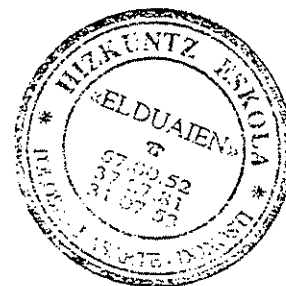
1. The scarf looked black in ..... light but here, in NATURAL light, I can see it's really dark blue.
  2. I started swimming at the ..... end but I soon felt brave enough to go to the DEEP end.
  3. I want the ..... figures, not APPROXIMATE ones!
  4. Most days are QUIET but some can be very .....
  5. When we sailed, the sea was ..... but it soon got very ROUGH.
  6. He gave me a ..... smile, which made me feel very INFERIOR.
  7. I always eat a ..... lunch because my keep-fit teacher says that HEAVY meals are bad for you.
  8. He got very ..... when he heard the news, but she stayed CALM.
  9. We'll go swimming when it's ..... tide. The beach is completely covered at HIGH tide.
  10. Why does he have such a RIGID attitude? If he were more ....., I'm sure we could come to some kind of agreement.
  11. The bread in this country goes ..... very quickly so we buy it FRESH every day.
  12. At first, progress was ..... but later it became very SLOW as we met some unforeseen difficulties.
  13. What had started out as a ..... breeze soon became a very STRONG wind.
  14. One daughter had ..... hair while the other had FAIR hair.
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Put an antonym in each blank. Use these words for the new partnerships:

considerable      mild      poor      severe      smooth      worthless

Space has been left for you to add more examples of your own.

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|---------------|-------|----------|
| 1. artificial | ..... | light    |
| 2. calm       | ..... | sea      |
| 3. calm       | ..... | response |
| 4. dark       | ..... | skin     |
| 5. deep       | ..... | water    |
| 6. exact      | ..... | time     |
| 7. flexible   | ..... | policy   |
| 8. good       | ..... | health   |
| 9. high       | ..... | opinion  |
| 10. light     | ..... | meal     |
| 11. mild      | ..... | winter   |
| 12. quiet     | ..... | day      |
| 13. rapid     | ..... | progress |
| 14. rough     | ..... | surface  |
| 15. slight    | ..... | change   |
| 16. stale     | ..... | food     |
| 17. strong    | ..... | taste    |
| 18. strong    | ..... | wind     |
| 19. superior  | ..... | quality  |
| 20. valuable  | ..... | painting |



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# 1.11 Phrases with In

PAPER 1  
PAPER 3

Complete each sentence with one of the phrases from the list below.  
Use each phrase once only.

in common  
in the end  
in ink  
in love

in a moment  
in pain  
in the past  
in pieces

in public  
in silence  
in tears  
in time

1. I found her ..... after her boyfriend had walked out on her, so I tried to cheer her up.
2. He wasn't too happy at first but ..... we managed to persuade him.
3. In the exam you must write your answers ..... not pencil, otherwise you'll be **in trouble!**
4. The dog was obviously ..... so the vet gave him an injection **in order to** stop it hurting so much.
5. They listened to him ..... and even after he'd finished, it was some time before anyone spoke.
6. .... families used to stay together but nowadays they often live in different parts of the country.
7. If we hurry we might get to the station .....
8. She looks confident but **in fact** she's never sung ..... before today.
9. They have so little ..... but **in spite of** this he's still going out with her.
10. **In addition to** the mirror, I found a vase lying ..... on the floor.
11. He should be back ..... so would you like to sit down and wait for him?
12. You could tell they were ..... by the way they walked along **hand in hand** and kept gazing into each other's eyes.

Underline **all** the expressions with 'in' and notice how they are used in the sentences.

Complete the column on the right to make phrases from the exercise or phrases using the following words:

**error          fashion          a hurry          order          particular          practice**

Space has been left for you to add your own examples.

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|-----|-------------------------------------------------|----|-------|
| 1.  | We don't share any interests. We have nothing   | in | ..... |
| 2.  | It was difficult but I finally did it. I did it | in | ..... |
| 3.  | That was a mistake. It was sent to you          | in | ..... |
| 4.  | This is what everyone is wearing. This dress is | in | ..... |
| 5.  | Slow down! You're always                        | in | ..... |
| 6.  | You need a pen. Your answers must be            | in | ..... |
| 7.  | 'Keen on' is not strong enough. She's obviously | in | ..... |
| 8.  | He won't be long. He'll be here                 | in | ..... |
| 9.  | Keep your papers tidy. Keep them                | in | ..... |
| 10. | It must hurt a lot. You can see she's           | in | ..... |
| 11. | I like pop music in general and rock music      | in | ..... |
| 12. | That's what happens nowadays. It was different  | in | ..... |
| 13. | The vase had been smashed. We found it          | in | ..... |
| 14. | She says one thing in private and another       | in | ..... |
| 15. | It works in theory but I'm not sure it'll work  | in | ..... |
| 16. | Nobody spoke. They all listened                 | in | ..... |
| 17. | She was crying her eyes out. I found her        | in | ..... |
| 18. | We got there before the train left. We arrived  | in | ..... |



Test yourself later and revise before the exam by covering the column on the right and checking how many expressions you can remember.

## 1.12 Phrases with On

PAPER 1  
PAPER 3

Complete each sentence with one of the phrases below.  
Use each phrase once only.

on business  
on fire  
on foot  
on guard

on the increase  
on his mind  
on his own  
on the phone

on the radio  
on sale  
on strike  
on time

1. Her latest hit is ..... in all good record shops.
2. He prepared the whole meal ..... I offered to help, but he wanted to prove he could do it.
3. She spends hours ..... talking to all her friends.
4. I've never known this bus to arrive ..... **On average**, it arrives about five minutes late.
5. The staff threatened to go ..... if the management did not meet their demands.
6. It looks as if the whole building is ..... There are flames everywhere.
7. **On the other hand**, he could have something ..... He's not really concentrating on what he's doing.
8. We had to complete the journey ..... after the car ran out of petrol.
9. There was a soldier ..... at the main entrance so I took a photo of him in his uniform.
10. I was listening to some music ..... when there was a news flash about a plane crashing with a hundred passengers **on board**.
11. The latest figures show that crime is ....., especially in urban areas.
12. Ms Swanson is away ..... at the moment, visiting one of our agents, and unfortunately her secretary is away **on holiday**.

Notice all the expressions with 'on'. Once again you see how important word partnerships are.

Complete the column on the right with phrases from the exercise and phrases with the following words:

credit                  a diet                  loan                  purpose                  trial                  his way

Space has been left for you to add your own examples.

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|-----|--------------------------------------------------|----|-------|
| 1.  | The trip is to do with my job. I'll be away      | on | ..... |
| 2.  | She's got two years to pay. She's buying it      | on | ..... |
| 3.  | He has to be careful what he eats. He's          | on | ..... |
| 4.  | I can see flames. The building must be           | on | ..... |
| 5.  | She's going to walk. She's getting there         | on | ..... |
| 6.  | The hall was well protected. There were soldiers | on | ..... |
| 7.  | More people are being attacked. Violence is      | on | ..... |
| 8.  | Somebody's borrowed the book. It's out           | on | ..... |
| 9.  | He's thinking about something. There's something | on | ..... |
| 10. | He doesn't need any help. He can do it           | on | ..... |
| 11. | He's always ringing up somebody. He's always     | on | ..... |
| 12. | That was no accident! She did that               | on | ..... |
| 13. | They broadcast his speech. I heard it            | on | ..... |
| 14. | You can still buy it. It's still                 | on | ..... |
| 15. | They stopped work in protest. They all went      | on | ..... |
| 16. | The train arrived at 7.30, as expected. It came  | on | ..... |
| 17. | They took her to court. They put her             | on | ..... |
| 18. | He's left home. He'll be here shortly. He's      | on | ..... |

Test yourself later by covering the column on the right. Can you remember all the useful expressions?



## 1.13 Phrases with **Out Of**

PAPER 1  
PAPER 3

Complete each of the sentences with one of the phrases below.  
Use each phrase once only.

out of breath  
out of control  
out of date  
out of doors

out of luck  
out of order  
out of practice  
out of the question

out of reach  
out of sight  
out of tune  
out of work

1. The lift was ..... so we had to use the stairs.
2. I watched them until they went ..... behind a hedge.
3. It only takes one person to sing ..... and the whole performance is ruined.
4. This catalogue is ..... so the information about prices is no longer correct.
5. He says he's ..... but I don't think he was ever any good at tennis!
6. She's been ..... for over a year now and she's almost given up hope of ever finding a job.
7. I'm afraid you're ..... ! I sold the last copy five minutes ago.
8. The steering wouldn't work and the tractor went ..... and crashed into the wall.
9. Those children should be ....., in the fresh air, instead of in here, watching television.
10. It's ..... ! I can't possibly lend you any more!
11. You get ..... just climbing the stairs! You really must do some exercises to get fit!
12. It is essential to put all medicines ..... on a high shelf so that small children can't get to them.

Complete the column on the right to make phrases from the exercise, or phrases using the following words:

danger                  debt                  fashion                  place                  print                  season

Space has been left for you to add your own examples.

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1. I'm so unfit. After any kind of effort I get out of .....
  2. I couldn't steer the car properly. It was out of .....
  3. We were safe. We were out of .....
  4. That's old news. That news is out of .....
  5. I've repaid the money I owe so I'm finally out of .....
  6. Don't stay inside all day. Spend some time out of .....
  7. People wore that LAST year. This year it's out of .....
  8. There isn't any left. How unfortunate. You're out of .....
  9. The lift doesn't work. It's out of .....
  10. It's not where it should be. It's out of .....
  11. I haven't played tennis for ages. I'm out of .....
  12. The book isn't published any more. It's out of .....
  13. We'd never do that kind of thing. It's out of .....
  14. She wasn't tall enough to get it. It was out of .....
  15. You won't find cherries now. They're out of .....
  16. I can't see her. She's out of .....
  17. The singing was awful. I'm sure somebody was out of .....
  18. With all this unemployment lots of people are out of .....

## 1.14 Prepositional Phrases

PAPER 1  
PAPER 3

Complete each phrase below by using one of the following prepositions:

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at	by	for	from	under	without
..... accident			..... first		..... now on
..... age			..... guarantee		..... present
..... air			..... the impression		..... sale
..... control			..... instance		..... times
..... far			..... least		..... warning

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Now use each of the phrases above once only to complete the following sentences.

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1. He was ..... that we were going out together. Whatever gave him that idea?
  2. Is there anything non-alcoholic - orange juice .....
  3. I'm sure he broke the window ..... He can't have done it on purpose.
  4. He usually travels ..... as it's much quicker.
  5. .... I hated maths but later I got quite keen on it.
  6. She was ..... but she managed to get into the club because she looks much older than she really is.
  7. The television is still ..... so there was no charge.
  8. We saw a new house ..... at quite a reasonable price.
  9. Suddenly, ....., the door burst open and she rushed in.
  10. There aren't any vacancies ..... but there should be some in a week or two.
  11. We expect ..... 200 people to turn up but there could be a lot more.
  12. This is ..... the cheapest holiday we've ever been on. We usually pay much more.
  13. Usually the heat doesn't bother me but ..... it can get pretty unbearable.
  14. A new system starts today. .... all latecomers have to wait in the canteen until the next lesson starts.
  15. You must keep that dog ..... as we go across the fields or he'll chase after the sheep.
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## 1.15 Word partnerships . . . . . REVISION - 1

PAPER 1  
PAPER 3

Complete each of the blanks with one word only.

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By .....(1) the most terrifying day of my life was the day I met my girlfriend's family. Her father .....(2) to her going out with somebody he had never met and insisted .....(3) meeting me to see if he approved .....(4) his daughter's "young man".

I spent hours getting .....(5) for the dreaded event. I spent so long trying to choose clothes suitable .....(6) the occasion that I .....(7) the bus and had to .....(8) my way to my girlfriend's house .....(9) foot.

I had been instructed to be there for afternoon tea at three o'clock and as I did not want to be .....(10) for this first meeting, I ran the last 500 metres. As I .....(11) the corner of the street where her house was situated, I took a quick .....(12) at my watch. It was five to three. I was just .....(13) time.

My girlfriend, Sandra, opened the door, startled to see me out of .....(14) because I had been running. The family .....(15) barked an unfriendly welcome at me but she told me not to .....(16) any attention as he was quite friendly, really.

I'm sure my heart was .....(17) twice as fast as I went into the house. I was shown into a room which was so dark that .....(18) first it was impossible to make out who was inside. Gradually, I became .....(19) of four figures standing by a table. They stared at me .....(20) silence. There was no escape. I was doomed.

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## 1.16 Word partnerships . . . . . REVISION - 2

**EXERCISE 1** Complete each sentence by writing in the space provided a suitable word meaning the opposite of the word in capital letters.

EXAMPLE: He's got a LARGE house but mine is very *small* . . . . .

1. We expected the sea to be CALM but it was very . . . . .
2. Twenty of the students PASSED the exam and only two . . . . .
3. I can't get him to CONFIRM or . . . . . the statement.
4. Saturday is usually a . . . . . day for us , unlike Monday, which is usually very QUIET.
5. I only have a LIGHT meal at midday because I find a . . . . . meal makes me very sleepy.
6. First she asked me to SHORTEN her skirt, then to . . . . . it. I wish she'd make up her mind!

**EXERCISE 2** Fill in the blank(s) in each sentence to complete a phrase with **in**.

EXAMPLE: The letter was sent to you in *error* . . . . . We apologise for the mistake.

1. She looks as if she's asleep, but in . . . . . she's concentrating on what's happening.
2. It was the first time he had performed in . . . . . so he was very nervous as he stepped out on to the stage.
3. Slow down! Why do you always have to be in . . . . . ?
4. At first he refused but in . . . . . we managed to persuade him to lend us the car for the evening.
5. I found her in . . . . ., with make-up running down her face, so I lent her my handkerchief.
6. Of course, the prince fell madly in . . . . . with her, so they got married and lived more or less happily ever after.

# 1.17 Word partnerships . . . . . REVISION - 3

PAPER 1  
PAPER 3

Choose the word or phrase which best completes each sentence.

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1. I was under ..... that you two had already met.  
A the idea B pressure C notice D the impression
  2. Why did he object so strongly ..... your plan?  
A for B to C with D on
  3. Don't ..... any notice of what she says.  
A take B give C have D make
  4. They might come. It will depend ..... how they feel.  
A of B from C on D in
  5. We all moved along to ..... room for her.  
A give B take C make D do
  6. .... all means bring a friend with you.  
A With B By C For D At
  7. The book will be on ..... next week.  
A sell B the shops C public D sale
  8. We're still trying to find out what exactly ..... place.  
A made B took C gave D set
  9. Why did I agree to take part ..... this awful contest?  
A of B from C with D in
  10. The fire ..... rapidly throughout the building.  
A spread B ran C flowed D flew
  11. He doesn't believe ..... money to strangers.  
A to give B to giving C with giving D in giving
  12. You ought to ..... an example to your younger sister.  
A make B do C set D lead
  13. If you're short ..... money, I can always lend you some.  
A of B with C in D for
  14. We caught ..... of him leaving by the rear exit.  
A glimpse B attention C sight D view
  15. She's famous ..... her marvellous singing voice.  
A as B because C for D from
  16. Are you sure you can do it on ..... ?  
A yourself B your own C date D secret
  17. I must congratulate you ..... so well!  
A to do B to doing C on doing D doing
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