

MODULE 1: Preposition

Instruction – Fill in the blanks with appropriate Preposition.

1. Could I speak . . . Tom, please?
- I'm afraid Tom's . . . work. But Jack's
Would you like to speak . . . him?
2. How do I get ...the air terminal?
- Turn right . . . the end of this street and
you'll see it . . . front of you.
3. He started going . . .
school . . . the age of five. So
now he's been . . . school for
ten years. He's leaving . . . the
end of this year.
4. I'm returning . . . France . . . the end of
this term.
- Are you coming back . . . England after the
holidays?
5. I I'm going to Bath . . . Monday . . . Tom.
Would you like to come . . . us?
- Are you going . . . bus?
- No, we're going . . . Tom's car.
6. I saw him standing . . . the queue but I
don't know whether he got . . . the bus or
not.
7. How do you go . . . school?
- It depends . . . the weather. . . . wet days I
go . . . tube; . . . fine weather I go . . . foot.
8. The car stopped . . . the traffic
lights and wouldn't start again, so
the driver got . . . and pushed it . .
. the side . . . the road.
9. Someone threw a

- stone . . . the speaker. It
hit him . . . the head and
knocked his glasses....
10. Can I have Monday . . . ? *or*
Can I have a holiday . . .
Monday? I want to go . . . my
grandson's wedding.
 11. There is a parcel of books . . . you . . .
the table . . . the hall.
- Oh, they must be . . . my brother. He
always sends me books . . . my birthday.
 12. We heard that Bill wasn't
. . . arrest but was helping the police . . . their
enquiries. The police are interested . . . a
bank robbery which took place . . . Bill's last
holidays.
 13. *Much Ado About Nothing* is . . .
Shakespeare, and you'll find more . . .
his plays . . . the bookcase . . . the
corner.
 14. As the child was too young to
travel . . . herself, they arranged .
. . her to travel . . . the care . . . a
friend of the family.
 15. Have you heard . . . John . . . his return?

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- Yes, I had a letter . . . Monday. He's thinking . . . going back . . . America.

16. He was ill . . . a week and . . . that week his wife never left his side.

17. Aren't you coming . . . us?

- No, I'm waiting . . . Tom.

- But he won't be ready . . . some time.

- I'm not . . . a hurry. I'll wait till he's ready.

18. How are you getting . . . at school?

- I'm getting . . . all right

except . . . English. I'm very

bad . . . English; I'll have to

work harder . . . it, and spend

more time . . . it.

19. I'm sorry . . . Tom. (*I pity him.*)

He has worked . . . Brown and

Company . . . ten years and now

the firm has been taken . . . by

Jones Ltd, and they're going to

dismiss him.

20. He built a very nice house . . .

Jack . . . only £50,000. I wonder

what sort . . . house he would

build . . . me . . . £30,000.

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It was five o'clock ____ a winter's morning
Syria. Alongside the platform ____ Aleppo

stood the train grandly designated
railway guides as the Taurus Express. It
consisted ____ a kitchen and dining-car, a
sleeping-car and two local coaches. ____ the
step leading ____ into the sleeping-car stood a
young French lieutenant, resplendent
uniform, conversing ____ a small man,
muffled ____ to the ears, ____ whom nothing
was visible but a pink-tipped nose and the
two points

____ an upward curled moustache.

It was freezingly cold, and this job
seeing ____ a distinguished stranger was not
one ____ be envied, but Lieutenant Dubose
performed his part manfully. Graceful
phrases fell ____ his lips
____ polished French. Not that he knew
what it was all _____. There had been
rumours, ____ course, as there always were
such cases. The General—his General's—
temper had grown worse and worse. And
then there had come this Belgian stranger
—all the way ____ England, it seemed.
There had been a week—a week
curious intensity.

And then certain things had happened. A
very distinguished officer had committed
suicide,

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another had resigned—anxious faces had suddenly lost their anxiety, certain military precautions were relaxed. And the General—Lieutenant Dubose’s own particular General—had suddenly looked ten years younger. Dubose had overheard part ____ a conversation ____ him and the stranger. “ You have saved us, mon cher,” said the General emotionally, his great white moustache trembling as he spoke. “ You have saved the honour ____the French Army—you have averted much bloodshed! How can I thank you ____acceding ____my request? ____have come so far-”

_____ which the stranger (by name M. Hercule Poirot) had made a fitting reply including the phrase, “ But indeed do I not remember that once you saved my life?” And then the General had made another fitting reply ____that disclaiming any merit for that past service, and ____more mention France, _____ Belgium, _____ glory, honour and ____such kindred things they had embraced each other heartily and the conversation had ended.

As _____what it had all been _____,

Lieutenant Dubose was still ____the dark, but ____him had been delegated the duty seeing ____ M. Poirot ____the Taurus Express, and he was carrying it ____ with all the zeal and ardour befitting a young officer _____ a promising career ahead him.

Instruction – Drop or Replace with appropriate Preposition.

1. Which drawer does he keep it *on*?
2. My parents met the group I was travelling *in*.
3. They sent *to* Mr. Smith \$5,000.
4. I will get *for* you a drink.
5. They advised *to* him *for* wait.
6. They warned *for* him *in* the cracks *upon* the ice floor.
7. He asked *to* his employer as *for* why did he shout *to* him when he was not *in* fault.
8. We must begin *in* dawn, *in* Sunday i.e. *at* 15th January so that we are *in* home *for* 18th January. We will be *on* good time to enjoy the last few weeks *before* winter. So far as the next reunion is concerned, the family will meet again *on* Easter.

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9. Marrying *below* him was something *across* his thinking. And yet, he did so. It resulted *on* a very ugly situation and the couple had many arguments *for* their honeymoon period, and just *by* it, they had a divorce, *without* weeks of their marriage.
10. As he moved *in* the dark icy caves, he could hear the water drops dripping *by* the stalactites *on* the floor of the cave. He felt dampness of the floor *below* his feet. Suddenly, as a result of his carelessness, he hit his head *with* the tip of a stalactite, then tripped *above* a stalagmite, the flashlight fell *of by* his hand, and he fell down, crashing *in* the stalagmites.