

a demand for	There wasn't enough demand for its product
a need for	There is no need for smth.
a reason for	Nobody knew the reason for the delay of the train
an advantage/a disadvantage of	The advantage of living alone is that you can do but: (there is an advantage in (not) doing smth) what you like
a cause of	The cause of the explosion is unknown
a picture & photo a photograph	Rachel showed me some pictures of her family
a map a plan a drawing	I had a map of the town, so I was able to find my way around.
an increase in	There has been an increase in the number of road accidents
a decrease in	& decrease in the amount of traffic
a rise in	& sharp rise property prices
a fall in	There was a big fall in sales
damage to	I had to pay for the damage to the other car
an invitation to	Did you get an invitation to the party? <small>a party, a wedding, etc.</small>
a solution to (a problem)	I hope we find a solution to the problem.
a key to (the door)	
an answer to (a question)	
a reply to (a letter)	
a reaction to	I was surprised at her reaction to my suggestion.
an attitude to (towards)	His attitude to his job is very negative
a relationship with	Do you have a good relationship with your parents?
a connection with	The police want to question a man in connection with
contact with	<small>but: relationship, connection, contact, difference a robbery between two things or people</small>
nice kind good generous polite	It was very kind of you to help me
stupid silly	It is stupid of me to go out without a coat in such weather <small>but: be nice/kind/good... to smbd.</small>
angry annoyed	why were you so unfriendly to Lucy?
furious	
upset	
excited about	There is no point in getting angry about things like that.
worried about	why are you angry with me?
nervous about	Are you annoyed with me for being late?
happy about	Lisa is upset about not being invited to the party.
satisfied with	You must be very excited about your trip.
pleased with	I'm worried about her.
happy with	Are you nervous about the exam?
delighted with	Are you happy about smth.
disappointed with	
smth you receive, or result of smth	I'm not very satisfied with my progress. Were you happy with your exam results?
	They were delighted with the present I gave them.
	I was a bit disappointed with the hotel.

surprised by (at)	Everybody was surprised by (at) the news.
shocked by (at)	I hope weren't shocked by (at) what I said
amazed by (at)	He was amazed by (at) what he saw
astonished by (at)	He was astonished by (at) what he saw
upset by (at)	He is still upset by what I said
impressed by (with) ^{sub}	I am very impressed by (with) her English. It's very good.
fed up with smth	I don't enjoy my job anymore. I'm fed up with it
bored with smth.	I'm bored with it
sick of smth	Come on, let's go! I'm sick of waiting
tired of	I'm tired of waiting.
Sorry about a situation or smth that happened	I'm sorry about the mess. I'll clear it up later.
feel sorry for sb who is in a bad situation	I feel sorry for Matt. He's had a lot of bad luck
Sorry - for about smth you did.	I'm sorry about shouting at you I'm sorry for shouting at you or: I'm sorry I shouted at you
afraid of	Are you afraid of spiders?
frightened of	I'm frightened of .
terrified of	Yes, I'm terrified of them
scared of	I'm scared of .
fond of	Kate is very fond of her younger brother
proud of	proud of
ashamed of	I'm not ashamed of what I did
jealous of	Why are you always so jealous of other people?
envious of	envious of
suspicious of	He didn't trust me. He was suspicious of my motives
critical of	.
tolerant of	.
aware of	I wasn't aware of that
conscious of	.
capable/incapable of	I'm sure you are capable of passing the examination.
full of	She is always full of energy
short of	I'm short of money.
typical of	It's typical of him to keep everybody waiting
certain about (of)	.
sure about (of)	I'm not sure of that - about that
good at	I'm not very good at repairing things
bad at	I'm bad at learning English
brilliant at	.
better at	.
hopeless at	I'm hopeless at playing the guitar
married to	Anna is married to an American
engaged to	She is engaged to Robert but: She is married with three children. <small>Married and has children</small>
similar to	Your writing is similar to mine.
different to (from)	The film was different to what I'd expected

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interested in	Are you interested in art?
keen on	We stayed at home because Chris wasn't very keen on going.
dependent on	I don't want to be dependent on anybody
independent of	independent of anybody
crowded with	The streets were crowded with tourists
famous for	Florence is famous for its art treasures
responsible for	Who was responsible for all that noise last night?
talk to	Who was that man you were talking to?
speak to	They are refusing to speak to each other.
listen to	We spent the evening listening to music
apologise to smb for smth	They apologised to me for what happened
explain smth to smb	Can you explain this word to me?
explain to smb what describe why how	I explained to them why I was Let me describe to you what I saw
phone	phoned
call	called
email smb	I emailed Kate to cancel my invitation
text	texted
write to smb	I wrote a letter to Kate
answer smb/smth	He refused to answer my question
reply to an email/a letter	She didn't reply to my email.
ask smb	Can I ask you a question?
thank smb (for smth)	He thanked me for helping him.
look at	Why are you looking at me like that?
stare at	staring at me like that?
glance at	I glanced at my watch to see what time it was
have a look at	Could I have a look at your magazine, please?
take a look at	take a look
laugh at	Everybody will laugh at me
aim at	Don't aim that knife at me.
point at	
shoot at	We saw someone with a gun shooting at birds
fire at	
shout at smb	He got very angry and started shouting at me.
shout to smb	He shouted to me from the other side of the street.
throw smth at	Smb threw an egg at the minister
throw smth to for smb to catch	She threw the keys to me from the window.
talk about	We talked about a lot of things at the meeting.
read about	I'm reading about Abraham Lincoln at the moment.
know about	Do you know about smth?
tell smb about	Can you tell me about it?
have a discussion about smth	We had a discussion about what we should do but: We discussed a lot of things at the meeting.
do smth about smth	If you are worried about the problem, you should do smth about it

ask smb for	I sent an email to the company asking them for more information but: ask smth : I asked him the way to
apply (to a person, a company) for a job...	Why don't you apply for the job?
wait for	I'm waiting for the rain to stop.
search ^{meteo} smth for smth	I've searched the house for my keys
leave (a place) for (another place)	I have not seen her since she left (home) for the office this morning
care about ^{curate, be concerned about} smth	He is very selfish. He doesn't care about other people.
care for ^{look after, take care of} smth	Alan needs smb to care for him. I don't care for very hot weather
take care of ^{by sb else} smth	I can take care of myself.
look for ^{seek} sth	Can you help me to look for my keys.
look after ^{watch over} smb	Alan needs smb to look after him.
hear about ^{of} smth	Did you hear about the fire at the hotel yesterday?
hear of ^{of} smth	Who is Tom? I have no idea. I've never heard of him
hear from ^{of} smb	Have you heard from Jane recently?
think about smth	I've thought about what you said. Ok, I'll think about it
think of ^{had in mind} smth	It was my idea. I thought of it first. ^{I didn't like it.}
ask or give an opinion for future: no diff.	What did you think of movie? I didn't think much of it.
dream about smth	I'm thinking about/of going to Canada.
dream of/about imagine	I dreamt about you last night
I wouldnt dream of ^{I would never do} smth	Do you dream of (about) being rich and famous?
complain (to smb) about ^{not satisfied} smth	Don't tell anybody. No, I wouldnt dream of it. ^{do it}
complain of ^{a pain} smth	We complained to the manager of the restaurant ^{about the food} .
remind smb about ^{when smth forget smth}	George is complaining of a pain in his stomach.
remind smb of ^{remember} smth	I'm glad you remind me about the meeting.
warn smb about	who does he remind me of?
warn smb about/of	Vicky warned me about the traffic.
accuse of	Scientists have warned us about (of) the effects of climate change.
suspect of	Sue accused me of being selfish.
approve of/disapprove of	Some students were suspected of cheating in the exam.
consist of	His parents don't approve of what he does
die from/of	It consists of seven parts
pay for ^{for a sum of money} smth	What did he die of/from?
thank for	I didn't have enough money to pay for the meal but: on behalf of to pay a bill / a fine / a fee / tax / rent ...
forgive for	Thank you for helping me
apologise (to smb) for	I'll never forgive them for what they did.
blame for	I apologised (to them) for my mistake
blame on ^{because of} smth	Everybody blamed me for the accident
suffer from	Everybody said that I was to blame for the accident.
protect smb/smth from	The accident wasn't my fault. Don't blame it on me
depend on	There's been an increase in the number of people suffering from heart disease.
rely on	Sun block protects the skin from the sun
live on money / food	It depends on the traffic.
congratulate on	but: for when / where / how ... It depends (on) how much it is
compliment on	You can rely on Anne
	my salary is low. It isn't enough to live on.
	I congratulated her on doing so well in her exams
	I complimented Kate on her cooking skills

believe in	to believe in	Do you believe in God?
believe smb/smth	to believe in	Do you believe that God exists?
specialise in		I don't believe you.
succeed in		Helen specialises in company law.
break into		I hope you succeed in finding the job you want.
crash into		Our house was broken into a few days ago.
drive into		crashed
bump into		drove
run into		bumped
divide into		run
cut into		
split into		
translate smth		
from one language into another		The cake was divided into three parts.
collide with		Her books have been translated into many languages
fill smth with		A bus collided with a car
provide with		Take this saucepan and fill it with water.
Supply with		The school provides all its students with books
happen to		This company supplies the entire region with electricity.
invite to		What happened to that gold watch
prefer smth to smth		They only invited a few people to their wedding
concentrate on		I prefer tea to coffee
insist on		I tried to concentrate on my work
spend (money) on		Some friends of mine insisted on coming with me.
		How much do you spend on food each week?