

Prepositions activities

I- Cross out the wrong word.

Born four centuries before/ago, El Greco is still remembered for his paintings.

He was born on/in 1541. His real name was Domenicos Theotokopoulos. The name « El Greco », which means « the Greek », is a mixture of Italian and Spanish. His birthplace, Crete, was Greek speaking, but at/in that time Crete was part of the Venetian Empire. Before/Since leaving Crete and going to Italy, ha had been trained as a painter of icons.

He worked in Italy for/by over 20 years but later moved to Spain where he lived from/since 1577 for/till his death. It was during/for this period that he created most of his masterpieces, which include portraits and religious scenes He died in/at 1614 on/at the age of 73 and is remembered as the first great painter in the History of Spanish art.

II- Cross out the wrong word.

- A month ago/before, my best friend left for a two-week holiday. I haven't heard of /from her since/for then.
- No matter how hard I try to get up early in the morning, I never manage to get to work in time/ on time.
- At the end/in the end of each day, I feel so exhausted that I'm not in the mood for anything.
- Before/ago I leave my house, I check to see if all the windows are locked.
- The match was crucial and both teams did thier best, but at the end/in the end the Eagles won.
- He hasn't been feeling well for/since last night.
- At the beginning / in the beginning of my career I faced many diffiulties.
- You've arrived just in time/ on time for dinner.
- I was so tied that during /for the lesson I fell asleep
- Jane has been attending dancing classes during/ for twelve years.
- I waited until/by the train had left.
- All the votes will have been counted by/since Thursday.

III- Complete the blanks with prepositions.

- « I haven't got enough money to pay for this CD » « Don't worry. We don't have to pay in cash. We can use my credit card. »
- I put salt instead of suger into the cake mixture Mistake.
- Where's Jerry ?
- « He went swim in the river, Grandpa »
- They've stopped buiding the shopping centre in my neighbourhood because the workers are Strike.

- My opinion, skiing is not as dangerous as bungee jumping
- I saw an old friend of mine television last night. Can you imagine ? She was advertising toothpaste !
- We hadn't arranged to go to the match together but we met outside the stadium chance.
- Everything is order because I had time to clean up.
- The rock group « Te Wild Things » are A European Tour. At the moment, they're playing in France
- I don't like carrying a lot of money with me. That's why I always pay cheque.
- Karen spent an hour The phone organizing her holiday.
- We had mashed potatoes lunch. What did you have ?
- Jill broke her brother's camera accident and now he's angry with her.
- This painting is Picasso. It must be worth millions.

IV- Cross out the wrong word

Do you wish you were good at/on sports.

Would you like to be more clever or more humorous ?

Are you worried about/for the way you look ?

Generally, do you wish you would be different of/from what you really are ?

Well, you are not alone. According to a new survey, most people aren't proud about/of themselves and few people are happy with /in the way they look.

Psychologists believe that this attitude is all wrong. They say that each person had their own special qualities and that we shouldn't be afraid to be different from/at other people. Tv and fashion magazines give us certain ideas about the way we « should » be. However, experts advise us not to « listen » to/at them.

Here are some tips to help you think more positively on/about yourself :

-start to look of/for the good aspects of your character and work at developing them.

Stop feeling self-pity and self hatred If you stop being angry with/for your weaknesses, you may see them as an opportunity to learn something about yourself

Stop complaining to/about things that you aren't able to do Concentrate on the things you are good on/at

Start believing in/at yourself if you don't know one else will

V- Read the sentences and complete them with the prepositions on, at, by or to.

1. The accused was released bail on condition that he would not leave the country.
2. Nobody in the company was happythe prospect of working during the weekend.
3. The author is a doctor profession but she prefers to work on her novels.
4. I always shop Impulse. I never make plans.
- 5..... This day, nobody knows what became of the missing aristocrat.
6. Cancelling the meeting Such short notice was an inconvenience for everyone.
7. Some of the artist's best works are display at the gallery.
8. These elaborate rugs were all woven hand.
9. My favourite football team is the top of the league.
10. The school principle is good terms with all the teaching staff.

VI- Read the following sentences and complete them with prepositions.

1. Must I always remind you the need to follow the proper procedure ?
2. I haven't heard Lisa for over two weeks now.
3. The police released d description the wanted man.
4. The park was crowded enthusiastic teenagers celebrating the end of the school year.
5. There must be a solution your problem.
6. It was obvious everyone who was responsible for the damage to the parked cars outside the football stadium.
7. A distance about fifteen metre is recommended between moving cars.
8. I'm a failure life », declared the famous actor to his adoring fans.
9. In some cultures staring People is considered offensive.
10. Have you heard the latest medical discovery ?
11. A final search Evidence at the scene of the crime proved fruitless.
12. You remind me Myself when I was your age.

VII- Read the following sentences and complete them with prepositions.

1. Joe looks very worried his job. Why doesn't he talk someone It ?
2. The college strongly disapprove Such behaviour.
3. The local residents have lodged an objection the proposed entertainment centre.
4. Stop interfering Our conversation. It's private.
5. The captain demanded more efforts..... His team..
6. Most workers agreed The management Having a wage cut to save their job.
7. I applied a computer company The position of sales representative on offer.
8. Jane was late Susan's birthday party on Friday night.
9. I always quarrel my sister What to watch on TV.
10. Why must you always argue with Donald Football ?
11. The athlete was not following the rules so he was disqualified the competition.
12. Derrick wasn't admitted the club because he wasn't properly dressed.