

## Exercises

## 132.1 Which is correct?

- 1 a Can you explain this word to me? ☒  
b Can you explain me this word? ☐
- 2 a I got angry with Mark. Afterwards, I apologised to him. ☐  
b I got angry with Mark. Afterwards I apologised him. ☐
- 3 a Amy won't be able to help you. There's no point in asking to her. ☐  
b Amy won't be able to help you. There's no point in asking her. ☐
- 4 a I need somebody to explain me what I have to do. ☐  
b I need somebody to explain to me what I have to do. ☐
- 5 a They didn't understand the system, so I explained it to them. ☐  
b They didn't understand the system, so I explained it them. ☐
- 6 a I like to sit on the beach and listen to the sound of the sea. ☐  
b I like to sit on the beach and listen the sound of the sea. ☐
- 7 a I asked them to describe me exactly what happened. ☐  
b I asked them to describe to me exactly what happened. ☐
- 8 a We'd better phone the restaurant to reserve a table. ☐  
b We'd better phone to the restaurant to reserve a table. ☐
- 9 a It was a difficult question. I couldn't answer to it. ☐  
b It was a difficult question. I couldn't answer it. ☐
- 10 a I explained everybody the reasons for my decision. ☐  
b I explained to everybody the reasons for my decision. ☐
- 11 a I thanked everybody for all the help they had given me. ☐  
b I thanked to everybody for all the help they had given me. ☐
- 12 a My friend texted to me to let me know she was going to be late. ☐  
b My friend texted me to let me know she was going to be late. ☐

## 132.2 Complete the sentences. Use these verbs + the correct preposition:

~~explain~~   ~~laugh~~   listen   look   point   reply   speak   throw   throw

- 1 I look stupid with this haircut. Everybody will laugh at me.
- 2 I don't understand this. Can you explain it to me?
- 3 Sue and Kevin had an argument and now they're refusing to listen each other.
- 4 Be careful with those scissors! Don't point them at me!
- 5 I'm not sure where we are. I'll have to look the map.
- 6 Please speak me! I've got something important to tell you.
- 7 Don't throw stones at the birds! It's cruel.
- 8 If you don't want that sandwich, reply it to the birds. They'll eat it.
- 9 I tried to contact Tina, but she didn't reply my emails.

132.3 Put in **to** or **at**.

- 1 They apologised to me for what happened.
- 2 I glanced at my watch to see what time it was.
- 3 Please don't shout at me! Try to calm down.
- 4 I saw Sue as I was cycling along the road. I shouted at her, but she didn't hear me.
- 5 Don't listen to what he says. He doesn't know what he's talking about.
- 6 What's so funny? What are you laughing at?
- 7 Could I have a look at your magazine, please?
- 8 I'm lonely. I need somebody to talk to.
- 9 She was so angry she threw a book at the wall.
- 10 The woman sitting opposite me on the train kept staring at me.
- 11 Can I speak to you a moment? There's something I want to ask you.