

Verb + preposition 4 **of/for/from/on**

A

Verb + of

accuse / suspect somebody **OF** ...

- ☐ Sue **accused** me **of** being selfish.
- ☐ Some students were **suspected of** cheating in the exam.

approve / disapprove OF ...

- ☐ His parents don't **approve of** what he does, but they can't stop him.

die OF or FROM an illness etc.

- ☐ 'What did he **die of?**' 'A heart attack.'

consist OF ...

- ☐ We had an enormous meal. It **consisted of** seven courses.

B

Verb + for

pay (somebody) **FOR** ...

- ☐ I didn't have enough money to **pay for** the meal. (*not pay the meal*)
- but* **pay** a bill / a fine / a fee / tax / rent / a sum of money etc. (no preposition)
- ☐ I didn't have enough money to **pay the rent**.

thank / forgive somebody **FOR** ...

- ☐ I'll never **forgive** them **for** what they did.

apologise (TO somebody) FOR ...

- ☐ When I realised I was wrong, I **apologised (to them) for** my mistake.

blame somebody/something **FOR** ... , somebody is **to blame FOR** ...

- ☐ Everybody **blamed** me **for** the accident.
- ☐ Everybody said that I was **to blame for** the accident.

blame (a problem etc.) **ON** ...

- ☐ The accident wasn't my fault. Don't **blame** it **on** me.

C

Verb + from

suffer FROM an illness etc.

- ☐ There's been an increase in the number of people **suffering from** heart disease.

protect somebody/something **FROM**

- ☐ Sun block **protects** the skin **from** the sun.

D

Verb + on

depend / rely ON ...

- ☐ 'What time will you be home?' 'I don't know. It **depends on** the traffic.'
- ☐ You can **rely on** Anna. She always keeps her promises.

You can use **depend + when/where/how** etc. with or without **on**:

- ☐ 'Are you going to buy it?' 'It **depends how much** it is.' (*or It depends **on** how much*)

live ON money/food

- ☐ Michael's salary is very low. It isn't enough to **live on**.

congratulate / compliment somebody **ON** ...

- ☐ I **congratulated** her **on** doing so well in her exams.
- ☐ The meal was really good. I **complimented** Mark **on** his cooking skills.