

# APPENDIX

## Common Errors (1) in the Use of Prepositions That Appeared in the Compositions

### Table I . Prepositions Expressing Time:

#### I. A. Misusage:

##### 1. in instead of on:

- a. The sun was shining in that day./on that day.
- b. In Friday I went with my friends to Jericho./ on Friday.
- c. Spring begins in the first of March./ on the first of March.
- d. Winter ends in the end of March. /on the end of March.
- e. In Saturday I went to the cinema. / on Saturday.
- f. I went to Jerusalem in the holiday. / on the holiday.
- g. In my last holiday I went to visit my sister in Jordan. /on my last holiday.

##### 2. at instead of on:

- a. Ali went to his garage at the next day./ on the next day.
- b. I helped my father at the last day of my holiday./on the last day.
- c. At the second day I went to the cinema./on the second day.

##### 3. at instead of in:

- a. We came back to Ramallah at the evening./in the evening.
- b. My aunt told us a story at the evening./ in the evening.

##### 4. on instead of in:

- a. I played with my friends on this season. / in or at this season.
- b. I went to Jericho on winter. / in winter.
- c. My last holiday was on January./ in January.

##### 5. in instead of during:

- a. We were very excited in the journey. / during the journey.
- b. In my last holiday I was happy. / during my last holiday.
- c. I spent nice days in the holiday./ during the holiday.

##### 6. on instead of at:

- a. Many plants grow on the end of Spring. /at the end of Spring.

b. On the end of the Journey we bought fruits. / at the end...etc.

7. in instead of at:

- a. I came in half past seven./ at half past seven.
- b. In first I went to play with my friends./ at first.
- c. In the end of my holiday I studied my lessons./ at the end.
- d. In the end of the month I went for a holiday./ at the end.
- e. In the beginning of the holiday I went to Jarash./ at the beginning.
- f. I went to Jerusalem in six o'clock./ at six o'clock.

8. Miscellaneous:

- a. At my last holiday. I did many different things./ during.
- b. I like winter because spring comes for it./ after it.
- c. I was very happy to my holiday./ on or during my holiday.

## I .B. Omission

1. At:

I go to school seven o'clock. / at seven o'clock.

2. For:

- a. I must stay at the university 8 years./for 8 years.
- b. I shall stay in the secondary school 3 years./ for 3 years.

3. In:

- a. I woke up early morning./ early in the morning.
- b. I played in the garden morning./ in the morning.
- c. I came back at 2 o'clock afternoon./ in the afternoon.

4. On:

My last holiday I worked with my brother./ on or during my last holiday.....etc.

## I . C. Addition:

1. In:

- a. I enjoyed in the holiday. / enjoyed Ø the holiday.
- b. In that day I went for a picnic. /Ø That day.

2. At:

I like at winter./ I like winter.

3. About:

I like about winter. / I like winter.

4. To:

I like to summer. / I like summer.

## Table II. Prepositions Expressing Relationship in Space:

### II. A. Misusage:

1. at instead of in:

- a. I live at Jerusalem. / in Jerusalem.
- b. I must ask them to use the medicine at the right way./in the right way.
- c. The plane is flying at the sky./ in the sky .
- d. A man and a woman are sitting at the garden./ in the garden.
- e. Some children ride bicycles at the streets./ in or on the streets.
- f. I sleep at bed./ in bed.

2. in instead of at:

- a. After school I work in the tailor's./ at the tailor's.
- b. I must stay in the university for 8 years./ at the university.
- c. I am going to complete my studies in the university./ at the university.
- d. I sat in the table./ at the table.
- e. The boys played football in the side of the street./ at the side of the street.
- f. I looked in the deer./ at the deer.
- g. I help my mother in home. / at home.

3. in instead of to:

- a. I go in the school in the morning./ to school.

- b. We came in Kalandia Camp in 1955./ to Kalandia.
- c. I like to go in Amman./ to Amman.
- d. The bus carried the people in the station./ to the station.
- e. We went in the town at 3 o'clock. / to the town.
- f. People go on journeys in the Dead Sea./ to the Dead Sea.
- g. I went in Hebron./ to Hebron.
- h. I hate to go in Bahrain./ to Bahrain.
- i. I went in the zoo./ to the zoo.

4. in instead of on:

- a. I help my father in the farm./on the farm.
- b. I can see a boy in a donkey./on a donkey.
- c. In the way to Jericho we saw the Dome of the Rock./ on the way.
- d. We saw cars and busses in the road./ on the road.
- e. We sang in the way to the mountains./ on the way.
- f. I saw many beautiful places in my way to school./ on my way.

5. into instead of at, in, on:

- a. I like to learn into the university./ at the university.
- b. I help my father into work./ at work.
- c. The plane was flying into the sky. / in the sky.
- d. Into the way to Jericho the bus stopped at the park./ on the way.

6. at instead of to:

- a. We went at the shop to buy some fruit./ to the shop.
- b. I went at the bazaar./ to the bazaar.
- c. I asked my mother to go at my friend's house./ to my friend's house.
- d. I went on a journey at Jericho./ to Jericho.
- e. I went at my friend's house./ to my friend's house.

7. on instead of at:

- a. The driver stopped on the petrol pump./ at the petrol pump.
- b. We sat on the table./ at the table.
- c. We are standing on the door of spring./ at the door.

8. on instead of in:

- a. The bus stopped on Jericho./ in Jericho.
- b. The old man was on the car./ in the car.
- c. Some people go to their offices on their cars./ in their cars.
- d. The people were sitting on the sun./ in the sun.
- e. The man was selling fruit and vegetables on his shop./ in or at his shop.
- f. On Ali's garage we saw a man washing a car./ in Ali's garage.
- g. Some people were eating on Sameer's restaurant./ in or at Sameer's restaurant.
- h. I visited my grandmother on Jericho./ in Jericho.
- i. I worked on a hotel. /In a hotel.