

Polite in, to (নম্র)—He is *polite in* his manners. He is *polite to* strangers.

Poor in (spirit) [দুর্বল]—Don't be *poor in* spirit. He is *poor in* Mathematics.

Popular with (জনপ্রিয়)—He is *popular with* all for his good behaviour.

Prefer (one) **to** (another) [অধিক পছন্দ করা]—I *prefer* coffee *to* tea.

Preferable to (অধিক পছন্দযোগ্য)—Death is *preferable to* dishonour.

Preside over (সভাপতিত্ব করা)—He *presided over* the meeting.

Pretend to (ভান করা)—He does not *pretend to* high birth.

Prevent (one) **from** (doing something) [বারণ করা]—I *prevented* him *from* going there.

Pride (oneself) **on**, (**take pride in**) [গর্ব করা]—He *prides* himself *on* (*takes pride in*) his high birth.

Proud of (গর্বিত)—He is *proud of* his position.

Prior to (পূর্বে)—*Prior to* that, he was in a wretched condition.

Prohibit from (বারণ করা)—I *prohibited* him *from* going there.

Prompt in (answers), **prompt at** (figures) [চটপটে]—He is *prompt in* his answers. He is *prompt at* figures.

Prone to (বোঁক আছে এমন)—He is *prone to* idleness.

Proportionate to (আনুপাতিক)—Punishment should be *proportionate to* offence.

Provide against (evil days), **for** (children), **with** (a thing) [পূর্বে ব্যবস্থা করা, সরবরাহ করা]—You must *provide against* evil days *for* your children. I *provide* (supply) him *with* food.

Qualified for (যোগ্য)—He is *qualified for* the post.

Quick at, of (চটপটে)—He is *quick at* figures. He is *quick of* understanding.

Quarrel with (a person) **for, over, about** (something) [কলহ করা]—They *quarrelled with* one another *for* (*over, about*) the property.

Refer to [বিচারার্থে পাঠানো]—*Refer* the matter *to* him for enquiry.

Rejoice at, in (আনন্দ করা)—Every one *rejoiced at* (*in*) her success.

[Nesfield says "rejoice *in* one's own success", but "rejoice *at* the success of another." But COD does not make any such distinction]

Relevant to (প্রাসঙ্গিক)—Your remark is not *relevant to* the point.

Rely on (নির্ভর করা)—You can *rely on* him.

Remedy for (প্রতিকার)—There is no *remedy for* this disease. (COD)

[Nesfield says "remedy *for* or *against* snakebite."]

Remind (one) **of** (a thing) [মনে করিয়ে দেওয়া]—I *reminded* him *of* his promise.

Render into (অনুবাদ করা)—*Render* the passage *into* Hindi.

Replace (one thing) **with** another [পরিবর্তন করা]—*Replace* this chair *with* a new one. (COD)

["In a passive sentence where it is necessary to use *by* to denote an agent, *with* must be used before the name of the thing that is substituted."

—Current English Usage by F. T. Wood]