

- ✓ There's a meeting at 2.30 this afternoon.

- ✓ Hair salons don't usually open on Sundays.

- ✓ Life in the 19th century was very different from what it is now.

Quiz

B. in

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4. during: from the beginning to the end of a period of time, or at some point in a period of time.

- ✓ During his stay in the United States, he will do his best to find out a new market.
- ✓ The traffic congestion in the city gets even worse during the summer.

5. for: used to show a specific amount of time.

- ✓ The survey conducted by the private school lasted for three weeks.
- ✓ Mr. Black has been a client of this firm for many years.

6. within: inside or not beyond a period of time.

- ✓ It is imperative that the company lower its expenses within a month.
- ✓ We recommend that this wine should be consumed within six months.

7. throughout: during all of a particular period, from the beginning to the end.

- ✓ There is a 20% chance of heavy rain throughout the day.
- ✓ We'll update you on this news story throughout the day.

Quiz

1. When using the building's entrance, you must enter your security code on the keypad _____ 30 seconds.

A. during

B. within

2. The network will be down _____ an hour for routine maintenance.

A. for

B. during

B. Prepositions of place

1. at: used to show an exact position or a particular place (at the entrance of the theater, etc.)

- ✓ We are supposed to meet our clients at the entrance of the conference room.
- ✓ Security checks have become really strict at the airport.

2. in: inside or towards the inside of a container, place or area, or surrounded or enclosed by something.

- ✓ When the accident took place, he was in his car.
- ✓ She sat in the dentist's waiting room, nervously chewing at her nails.

3. on: used to indicate a position above and supported by or in contact with something.

- ✓ The sales department is located on the tenth floor of the new building.
- ✓ There's a new Italian restaurant opening on the high street.

4. throughout: in every part of a particular area, place,

- ✓ People throughout the country are out of work.

5. within: inside something or surrounded by something

- ✓ The incentives that attract customers to purchase items within our store are variable.

Quiz

1. I shall meet you _____ the corner of the street.

A. at

B. in

2. Chris MacDonald wrote Elena Ramirez a letter to ask her to speak _____ a seminar.

A. at

B. on

C. Prepositions of means or method

1. by: used to say what means/method someone uses to do something, or to show how something is done.

✓ You can place and receive an order by telephone or fax.

✓ Many companies usually reduce their production costs by firing their workforce.

2. through: by way of/the means or agency of

✓ Through the use of the automated system, we can increase our production by 20%.

✓ Speaking through an interpreter, the president said the terms of the ceasefire were completely unacceptable.

Quiz

1. We sold the bike _____ advertising in the local paper.

A. through

B. for

2. I don't have any cash on me, so could I pay _____ cheque?

A. within

B. by

D. Phân biệt một số giới từ gây nhầm lẫn

1. on time vs in time

✓ on time: đúng giờ

Ex: The 11.45 train left on time.

✓ in time: kịp lúc

Ex: Will you be home in time for dinner?

2. At/ in the end

✓ In the end, = Finally

Ex: He got more and more angry. In the end, he just walked out of the room.

✓ At the end/ beginning of + sth

Ex: I'm going away at the end of January.

3. arrive in/ arrive at

✓ arrive at: khi nơi chốn nhỏ như sân bay, nhà ga..

Ex: It was dark by the time we arrived at the station.

✓ arrive in: khi nơi chốn lớn như quận, tỉnh, thành phố, nước..

Ex: We arrived in Prague later that day.

E. Other prepositions that may occur in the TOEIC test

for a research purpose	increase by 20 percent
following disputes	the rise in oil prices

barring any further delays	over the last two years
questions concerning the report	problems beyond their capabilities
the decrease in oil prices	for the first time in eight years

PRACTICE

1. The announcement stated that the office would close _____ 4:00p.m. today due to heavy rain.

- (A) in (B) on
(C) at (D) for

2. Of you are not happy with this audio set, you should return it _____ two weeks for a full refund.

- (A) for (B) within
(C) within (D) until

3. If you display the identification number printed on your membership card, you can make a purchase _____ phone.

- (A) by (B) with
(C) through (D) at

4. The budget plan _____ the next five years has been sent to the board of directors.

- (A) by (B) for
(C) since (D) beyond

5. The cost of the flight, rental car and hotel room will be paid _____ by the company.

- (A) before (B) behind
(C) in advance (D) initially

6. To take advantage of this special offer, customers must purchase our software _____ January 2 and March 3.

- (A) on (B) in
(C) either (D) between

7. This project would provide residents _____ department stores, restaurants and movie theaters.

- (A) with (B) to
(C) for (D) by

8. This website is designed to provide information _____ products and services offered by us.

- (A) regard (B) regarding
(C) regards (D) regarded

9. HCB Bank cannot accept a loan application _____ the proper documentation.

- (A) upon (B) until
(C) along (D) without

10. Tang Cooperation has reserved a conference hall at the Darlington hotel _____ the annual sales meeting.

- (A) from (B) onto
(C) for (D) off

11. Many of the students like to eat lunch outdoors and take a stroll _____ at the beach.

- (A) onto (B) along
(C) over (D) through

12. _____ the news article, the new drug could have a negative impact on our health.

- (A) In case (B) Under
(C) According to (D) Beyond

13. The current assignment begins in March and lasts _____ early September.

- (A) in (B) on
(C) with (D) until

14. The expansion _____ the international market will help us to find a way to survive in fierce competition.

- (A) except (B) until
(C) as (D) of

15. I am writing _____ behalf of Ms. Jackson to inform you of who will be in charge of the organizational restructuring.

- (A) at (B) on
(C) for (D) to

16. The changes now occurring _____ the electronics industry reflect that the industry's efforts to meet specific customer needs are paying off.

- (A) into (B) during
(C) throughout (D) as

17. Jazz Fridays and Classical Sundays will take place as usual _____ a ticket price of \$9 per person.

- (A) at (B) for
(C) with (D) in

Questions 18-20 refer to the following advertisement.

New Ways to Find Your Home!

Thanks to the growth of the Internet, Real Estate114.com has been created for people who want to either sell their homes or buy new homes without intermediation of a real estate agent. This website is an immediate hit _____ paying commission fees, sellers can reach larger market and put more specific information on their property on the website.

18.

- (A) Avoid
(B) Avoiding
(C) Avoided
(D) Avoidance

On the other hand, potential homebuyers can have a more extensive selection _____ real properties.

19.

- (A) of
(B) with
(C) to
(D) for

To maximize the benefits for both sellers and buyers, our web administrators regularly maintain and update the site to verify _____ the information is correct. If you find our website useful, tell your friend about RealEstate114.com.

20.

(A) now that

(B) since

(C) what

(D) whether