

## **Prepositional Verbs**

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### Carol's diary

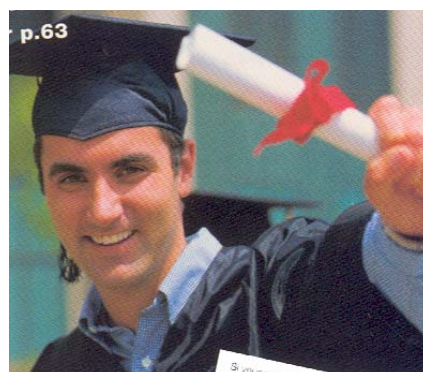
Here are some extracts from Carol's diary:

A diary = a book on which you write down the events of every day.

#### Extract A

*My brother Jim has succeeded in his final exam. Now he is looking for a job. He has already applied for a post of translator in an international company. He is waiting for an answer.*

*To apply for a job = to ask for a job.*



#### Extract B



*Last Saturday, Sue invited me for her birthday party.*

*We danced, listened to music and then looked at the photos of the school party. It reminded us of Bob. He play-acted with the mobile and earphones just for the photo but he didn't know Mike was peeking over his shoulder. Everyone laughed at him! Around 5, we thanked Sue and her mother for the invitation and left..*

### Extract C

*Jane says her book has disappeared from her school bag. She suspects someone of stealing it but she can't accuse anyone of the theft because she has no proof.*

The theft = the act of stealing.



### Extract D

*Yesterday everything went wrong. First, I left for school late. I forgot my money at home, so I couldn't pay for the bus fare. Everyone stared at me. I was very embarrassed! I arrived at school half an hour later; I apologized for being late but the teacher interrupted me and asked for my exercise copybook. I tried to tell her that the bag belonged to my sister Helen but she blamed me for my bad behaviour. She wrote a message to my parents and complained of my laziness.*

The bus fare = the bus ticket.

Behaviour = attitude



### Extract E

*There have been several serious accidents near our school, so road signs have been put by the City Council to warn passers-by of the danger of the traffic.*



## • Activitys:

### Activity 1:

**Which title summarizes best each extract.**

**ما هو العنوان الذي يلخص كل مقتطف.**

- 1- Getting into trouble      2- Where is it?  
3- Having Fun      4- Safety First      5- Job Hunting

Titles	Jobs hunting				
Extracts	A				

### Activity 2:

**Say if the following statements are true or false.**

**Correct the false ones.**

**صحيح أو خطأ ؟ صحح الخطأ.**

1. Jim has passed his final exam.

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2. He has just started a new job.

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3. Bob pretended to be serious but he was not.

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4. Jane lost her book on the way to school.

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5. Carol lost her wallet in the bus.

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6. She said she was sorry for arriving late.

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7. The teacher wanted to see her exercise copybook.

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8. She wrote to her parents to tell them that Carol  
didn't work hard enough.

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9. The school bag was Carol's sister.

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10. The City Council wants motorists to slow down near schools.

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### **Activity 3:**

**Read the extracts and write the verbs followed by a preposition.**

**اقرأ المقطعات ثم أكتب الأفعال المتبوعة بـ : preposition .**

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#### Activity 4:

Fill in the blanks with the appropriate verb using a preposition when necessary.

املأ الفراغ بالفعل المناسب + " preposition " .

verbs: write – listen – thank – phone – look –  
complain – speak.

1- They are ..... photos.



2- He is furious. The products he has ordered have not arrived yet. He is ..... a letter .....the factory. He wants to ..... their poor service.

3- They are ..... the story.





4- She is ..... her friend.

5- Jane is ..... her husband.



6- Michael is ..... John ..... coming to the party.

7- The manager is furious. She is ..... the sale assistant ..... not respecting the deadline.



## Activity 5:

### Ask questions according to the underlined words

أكتب الأسئلة بالنسبة للكلمات المسطرة .

Example: **What** has Carol's brother, Jim ,succeeded in?

Carol's brother, Jim , has succeeded in his final exam.

Question 1: .....

Answer 1: He is looking for a job.

Question 2: .....

Answer 2: He has applied for a post of translator.

Question 3: .....

Answer 3: They thanked Sue and her mother for the invitation

Question 4: .....

Answer 4: She couldn't pay for the bus fare.

Question 5: .....

Answer 5: The teacher asked her for her exercise copy book

Question 6: .....

Answer 6: The bag belonged to Helen.

Question 7: .....

Answer 7: The teacher wrote a message to Carol's parents.



### **Activity 6:**

**Match the propositional verbs in A with the correct definitions in B.**

**اربط الأفعال في A مع التفسير في B .**

	A/Verbs + prepositions	B/ Definitions
1	to accuse someone of	<b>a-</b> to be the property of someone or to be a member of a group or an association.
2	to apologize for	<b>b-</b> to think that someone has done something especially something bad.
3	to apply for	<b>c-</b> to look at someone or something for a long time without moving your eyes.
4	to belong to	<b>d-</b> to say that someone has done something wrong or illegal.
5	to complain of.	<b>e-</b> to say you are sorry about something you have done.
6	to remind someone of	<b>f-</b> to go away from one place you are in now to go to another place.
7	to stare at	<b>g-</b> to make a formal written request for a job, a place at a college etc...
8	to suspect someone of	<b>h-</b> to make someone remember something or someone.
9	to leave for	<b>i-</b> to say that you are not satisfied about something or someone

### Activity 7:

**Now fill in the blanks with the correct verb +preposition**

**املا الفراغ بالفعل المناسب + " preposition "**

eg: This book **belongs to** me. It's mine!

1. When are you ..... London?
2. They ..... him ..... the accident. He was driving too fast.
3. Do you have any reason to ..... lying?
4. She must go to the dentist. She is ..... a toothache.
5. He was arrested because he was.....murder.
6. He ..... his father. He resembles him.
7. I don't understand why he is ..... me. It's embarrassing.
8. He wants to be better paid. That's why he is..... that job.
9. We fight for protecting our environment. We.....the Green World Association.
10. He has ..... his driving test the third time

**Activity 8:****Find the corresponding noun. Use a dictionary.****أوجد الاسم المناسب. استعمل القاموس .**

Phonetics		Verbs + preposition	Nouns
/ə'kjuz/	1	to accuse someone of	<b>an accusation.</b>
/ə'palədʒaiz/	2	to apologize for	an .....
/ə'plai/	3	to apply for	an ..... or an .....
/bɪlɔŋg/	4	to belong to	a .....
/bleim/	5	to blame for	a .....
/kəm'pleint/	6	to complain of	a .....
re'maind	7	to remind someone of	a .....
/stɛr/	8	to stare at	a .....
/sə'spɛkt/	9	to suspect someone of	a .....
/liv/	10	to leave for	a .....

### **Activity 9:**

**Fill in the blanks with the correct noun.**

**املأ الفراغ بالاسم المناسب**

1. The police's main **suspect** is a 45 years old man.
2. He's got the ..... for the accident because he was driving too fast.
3. I am so forgetful that I always need a .....
4. She has taken a sick leave ..... because she is ill.
5. Jim has filled an ..... form. He is a good ..... for the post of translator.
6. Jim is writing a letter of ..... to the factory because the computer he has bought has a scratched screen.
7. I usually leave my ..... in the locker when I exercise.
8. Serious ..... have been made against her.
9. The ..... on her face revealed that she was horrified .
10. The factory has sent a letter of ..... to Jim and has replaced the computer

### **Activity 10:**

**Now talk about yourself. Write full answers.**

**أكتب عن نفسك . أكتب أجوبة كاملة .**

- Who do you usually invite to your birthday party?
- What kind of music do you like ?
- Who do you usually write to when you go far on holiday?
- What do your parents sometimes blame you for?

- What do you often complain of?

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**Activity 11:**

**Translate the following sentence into Arabic.**

**ترجم باللغة العربية الجملة الآتية .**

I forgot my money at home so I couldn't pay for the bus fare.

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- **Keep in mind:**

In English some verbs are followed by **prepositions** The **meaning** of the verb **changes** according to the preposition that follows the verb.

**Learn** the list of prepositional verbs by heart given in activity six and make sure you understand their meaning!

Be careful! We don't use a preposition after the verb phone.

eg: I have phoned my friend.

Rewrite the list of these verbs with the correct definitions. In this way you will memorize them more easily.