

# Dependent Prepositions

## Teacher's Notes

**Description:** Are you interested *in* or interested *at* politics? Do you worry *for* or worry *about* money? Are you good *for* or good *at* English grammar? For such tiny words, Prepositions can cause an awful lot of confusion! The exercises in this activity sheet help to familiarise students with some of the most common Dependent Prepositions, offering them fun and personalised practice, both alone and with a partner.

**Aim:** To practise using Dependent Prepositions through an array of written and communicative activities.

**Procedure:** Give each student a copy of the two-page activity sheet.

**Exercise A:** Students begin by matching the sentences containing Dependent Prepositions with the correct endings.

answer key:

1. c      2. d      3. e      4. h      5. f      6. a      7. b      8. i      9. j      10. g

**Exercise B:** Next, students put the verbs and adjectives under the Prepositions with which they are usually used. Some may be used with more than one Preposition.

answer key: (some answers may vary)

<b>at</b>	<b>for</b>	<b>by</b>	<b>in</b>	<b>of</b>
good	blame, famous, good	confused	believe	fond, afraid, accuse

<b>to</b>	<b>about</b>	<b>from</b>	<b>on</b>	<b>with</b>
lend, sensitive, belong, attached	know, worry, argue, confused	borrow	rely	argue

**Exercise C:** Students then complete the sentence pairs using the correct Prepositions.

answer key:

1a. at                      2a. about                      3a. with                      4a. for                      5a. for  
1b. for                      2b. to                      3b. to                      4b. to                      5b. by

**Exercise D:** Following this, students complete the trivia questions using suitable Prepositions. They then chat with a partner and guess what the correct answer is.

answer key:

1. for, b                      2. about, c                      3. to, c                      4. of, b                      5. in, b  
6. to, a                      7. for, b                      8. of, c                      9. from, a                      10. about, b

**Exercise E:** Lastly, students complete the conversation questions using suitable Prepositions. After doing this, they ask them to their partner.

answer key:

1. about                      2. at                      3. to                      4. for                      5. of  
6. to                      7. to                      8. with                      9. to                      10. on