

1. THE MEANINGS OF PREPOSITIONS

Aşağıdaki tablo en genel **preposition** anlamlarını vermektedir. Her anlam için bir örnek verilmiştir.

About

1. On the subject of: This is a story **about** elephants.
2. Approximately: He is **about** ten years old.

Above

1. Higher than; over: The plane flew **above** the clouds.
2. Earlier on a page: There is a heading **above** each diagram.

Across

1. From one side to the other: We walked **across** the field.
2. On the other side of: There is a store **across** the street.

After

1. Later in time: **after** ten o'clock; **after** lunch
2. Later in a series: Q comes **after** P in the alphabet.
3. In pursuit of: The dog ran **after** the cat.

Against

1. In opposition to: Theft is **against** the law.
2. Touching; supported by: I leaned my bicycle **against** the wall.

Along

1. Following the length of: We walked **along** the road.

Among

1. Within a group: The money was shared **among** three people.

NOTE: Resmi İngilizce’de, **AMONG** genellikle sadece ikiden fazla kişi veya nesne söz konusu olduğunda kullanılır. **BETWEEN** ise iki kişi veya şey için kullanılır.

Around

1. Circling something: We walked **around** the block.
2. Surrounding: There is a fence **around** the garden.
3. In different parts of: I looked **around** the house for the keys.
4. In the other direction: We turned **around** and went back home.
5. Approximately: He is **around** six feet tall.

At

1. A specific location: **at** 23 Chestnut Street; **at** the park
2. A point in time: **at** 5 o'clock; **at** Christmas
3. A condition: **at** peace; **at** war; **at** rest
4. An activity: **at** work; **at** school; **at** play
5. Towards: Look **at** someone; wave **at** someone

NOTE: Hususi bir yer veya zamanda bir an kastedildiğinde genellikle **AT** kullanılır. Belirgin bir cadde veya bir gün kastedildiğinde genellikle **ON** kullanılır. Yer bir bölge olarak kullanılıyorsa veya zaman birimi bir gün daha genişse genellikle **IN** kullanılır.

e.g. **at** Christmas; **on** Christmas day; **in** the Christmas holidays

Before

1. Earlier in time: **before** two o'clock; **before** Christmas
2. Earlier in a series: S comes **before** T in the alphabet.

Behind

1. At the back of: The little girl hid **behind** her mother.
2. Late: I am **behind** in my work.
3. Cause; origin: Who was **behind** that idea?

Below

1. Lower than; under: **below** freezing; **below** sea level
2. Later on a page: Footnotes are provided **below** the text.

Beneath

1. Lower than; below: **beneath** the earth

Beside

1. Next to; at the side of: I sit **beside** her in class.

Besides

1. Also; as well as: We study other languages **besides** English.

NOTE: BESIDE ve **BESIDES** arasındaki farka dikkat ediniz. **Beside** ile genellikle fiziksel mekan /yer kastedilir.

Between

1. An intermediate location: Toronto lies **between** Montreal and Vancouver.
2. An intermediate time: **between** Christmas and New Year's Day
3. Intermediate in a series: B comes **between** A and C in the alphabet.
4. An intermediate amount: **between** five and ten people
5. Within a group of two: The money was shared **between** two people.

Beyond

1. Farther than: The mountains lie **beyond** the horizon.
2. Further than; exceeding: That was **beyond** my expectations.

But

1. Except: I have read all **but** the last chapter.

Note: But is used more often as a conjunction than as a preposition.

By

1. Near: a house **by** the sea
2. Past: He waved as he drove **by** the house.
3. Not later than: Try to finish the work **by** next week.
4. In units of: cheaper **by** the dozen; sold **by** weight
5. Through the means of: travel **by** plane; written **by** him

NOTE: By genellikle edilgen çatıda (Passive Voice) kullanılır..

Concerning

1. Connected with; about: He studies everything **concerning** trees.

Despite

1. In spite of: We walked downtown **despite** the rain.

Down

1. To a lower position: The ball rolled **down** the hill.
2. Further along: He lives **down** the street.

During

1. Throughout a period: She works **during** the day.
2. Sometime within a period: An accident occurred **during** the night.

Except

1. Not including: I have visited everyone **except** him.

For

1. Duration of time: We walked **for** two hours.
2. Distance: I walked **for** five kilometers.
3. Purpose: I bought this jacket **for** you.
4. In the direction of: She left **for** New York.
5. In favor of: We are **for** the proposal.
6. Considering: The boy is clever **for** his age.

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1. Place of origin: We left **from** Boston; he comes **from** Mexico
2. Start of a period of time: **from** now on; **from** yesterday until today
3. Start of a range: **From** 20 to 30 people were present.
4. Cause: He suffers **from** nervousness.
5. Source: I first heard the story **from** you.

In

1. Place thought of as an area: **in** London; **in** Europe
2. Within a location: **in** the room; **in** the building
3. Large units of time: That happened **in** March, **in** 1992.
4. Within a certain time: I will return **in** an hour.
5. By means of: write **in** pencil; speak **in** English
6. Condition: **in** doubt; **in** a hurry; **in** secret
7. A member of: He is **in** the orchestra; **in** the navy
8. Wearing: the boy **in** the blue shirt
9. With reference to: lacking **in** ideas; rich **in** oil

Inside

1. Within: They are **inside** the house.

Into

1. To the inside of: We stepped **into** the room.
2. Change of condition: The boy changed **into** a man.

Like

1. Resembling: That looks **like** him.

2. Appearing possible: It looks **like** rain.
3. Be in a suitable mood for: I feel **like** going swimming.

Minus

1. Less: Three **minus** two equals one.

Near

1. Close to: **near** the school; **near** the ocean

Of

1. Location: east **of** here; the middle **of** the road
2. Possession: a friend **of** mine; the sound **of** music
3. Part of a group: one **of** us; a member **of** the team
4. Measurement: a cup **of** milk; two meters **of** snow

Off

1. Not on; away from: Please keep **off** the grass.
2. At some distance from: There are islands **off** the coast.

On

1. Touching the surface of: **on** the table; **on** the wall
2. A certain day: That happened **on** Sunday, **on** the 6th of June.
3. A certain street: **on** South Street
4. About: a book **on** engineering
5. A state or condition: **on** strike; **on** fire; **on** holiday
6. By means of: live **on** a pension; shown **on** television

Onto

1. To a position on: The child climbed **onto** the table.

Opposite

1. Facing: The library is **opposite** the fire station.

Out of

1. To the outside of: She went **out of** the room.
2. From among: We won two games **out of** three.
3. Motive: We spoke to them **out of** politeness.
4. Material: The bridge is made **out of** steel.
5. Beyond: **out of** control; **out of** danger

Outside

1. On the outer side of: **outside** the house
2. Beyond the limits of: **outside** my experience

Over

1. Above; higher than: There are cupboards **over** the sink.
2. Covering: We spread an extra blanket **over** the bed.
3. Across: I jumped **over** a puddle.
4. More than: It cost **over** ten dollars; it took **over** an hour
5. During: I saw him several times **over** the past week.
6. By means of: We made plans **over** the telephone.

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Past

1. Up to and beyond: I walked **past** the house.
2. After (in time): It was **past** 2 o'clock; half **past** two
3. Beyond: **past** belief

Per

1. For each: 60 kilometers **per** hour; price **per** liter

Plus

1. With the addition of: Six **plus** four equals ten.

Since

1. From a specific time in the past: I had been waiting **since** two o'clock.
2. From a past time until now: I have been waiting here **since** noon.

Note: Because of its meaning, the preposition **since** is usually used in combination with a perfect tense. It should be noted that the preposition **for** can also be used with a perfect tense. However, when used with reference to time, **for** is usually followed by a phrase referring to a **period** of time; whereas **since** is usually followed by a phrase referring to a **specific** time.

e.g. I have known him **for** six months.

I have known him **since** January.

In the first example, **for** is followed by **six months**, which refers to a period of time. In the second example, **since** is followed by **January**, which refers to a specific time.

Through

1. Across; from end to end of: the main road **through** town
2. For the whole of a period: I slept **through** the night.
3. By means of: Skill improves **through** practice.

Throughout

1. In every part of: **throughout** the world
2. For the whole of a period: **throughout** the winter

Till

Note: **Till** can be used instead of **until**. However, at the beginning of a sentence, **until** is usually used.

To

1. In the direction of: Turn **to** the right.
2. Destination: I am going **to** Rome.
3. Until: from Monday **to** Friday; five minutes **to** ten
4. Compared with: They prefer hockey **to** soccer.
5. With indirect object: Please give it **to** me.
6. As part of infinitive: I like **to** ski; he wants **to** help.
7. In order to: We went to the store **to** buy soap.

Toward (or Towards)

1. In the direction of: We walked **toward** the center of town.
2. Near; just before (time): It rained **towards** evening.

Under

1. Beneath: **under** the desk; **under** the trees
2. Less than: **Under** 100 people were present.
3. In circumstances of: **under** repair; **under** way; **under** discussion

Underneath

1. Below, under: **underneath** the carpet

Until

1. Up to a certain time: She will stay **until** Friday; **until** 5 p.m.

Upon

Note: **On** and **upon** have similar meanings. **Upon** may be used in certain expressions, as in **once upon a time**, and following certain verbs, as in to **rely upon** someone.

Up

1. To a higher place: We went **up** the stairs.
2. In a higher place: She lives **up** the hill.

Up to

1. As far as: **up to** now; I have read **up to** page 100.
2. Depending on: The decision is **up to** you.
3. As good as; ready for: His work is **up to** standard.

Versus

1. Against (sports, legal): The next game is England **versus** Australia.

Via

1. By way of: He went to Los Angeles **via** San Francisco.

With

1. Accompanying: He came **with** her; I have my keys **with** me.
2. Having; containing: Here is a book **with** a map of the island.
3. By means of; using: I repaired the shoes **with** glue.
4. Manner: **with** pleasure; **with** ease; **with** difficulty
5. Because of: We were paralyzed **with** fear.

Within

1. Inside of: **within** twenty minutes; **within** one kilometer

Without

1. Not having: Do not leave **without** your coat; **without** money

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2. PREPOSITIONS USED IN IDIOMS

Below are examples of idioms consisting of prepositional phrases. The following selection of idioms emphasizes those used in North American English. The meaning of each idiom is indicated after the colon.

At

not **at** all: not in any way
at all times: always
at any rate: whatever happens
 keep someone **at** arm's length: avoid becoming closely involved with someone
at close quarters: very near
at one's disposal: to be used as one wishes
at a distance: not near
at fault: causing something wrong
at first: at the beginning
 see **at** a glance: see immediately
at hand: near; readily available
at last: finally, after some delay
at a loss: uncertain what to do or say
at the mercy of: without defense against
at the moment: now
at once: immediately
at present: now
at rest: not moving
at risk: threatened by danger or loss
at short notice: with little warning
at stake: to be won or lost
at a stretch: continuously
at that rate: under those circumstances
at this point: at this place; at this moment
at the wheel: in control

Behind

behind the scenes: (of persons) influencing events secretly; (in a theater) behind the stage
behind schedule: not on time

Beside

be **beside** oneself: lose one's self-control
beside the point: irrelevant

Between

read **between** the lines: deduce a meaning that is not actually expressed

Beyond

beyond help: unable to be helped
beyond a joke: too annoying to be amusing
beyond reproach: perfect; blameless

By

by accident: not deliberately
by all means: by any possible method
 bit **by** bit: gradually

by chance: by accident; without planning
by courtesy of: with the help or permission of
win by default: win because of lack of competition
by degrees: gradually
perform by ear: perform (music) by listening to the sound, without referring to written music
by hand: without the use of machinery
by heart: from memory
little by little: gradually
by means of: by using
by mistake: accidentally
by no means: not at all
one by one: one at a time
by oneself: alone
side by side: beside one another
by the way: incidentally (used to introduce an unrelated topic of conversation)
by word of mouth: orally

For

once and **for all:** for the last time (e.g. used when giving someone a final warning)
for certain: definitely; without doubt
for a change: for the sake of variety
for example: as an illustration
for fun: for the sake of enjoyment
for good: permanently
for good measure: in addition to the necessary amount
for instance: for example; as an illustration
for keeps: (colloquial) permanently
for a living: as a profession
for now: temporarily
run for office: compete for an elected position
for one thing: because of one reason (out of several)
for the sake of: for the benefit of; for the purpose of
for sale: intended to be sold
for sure: definitely (more colloquial than **for certain**)
food for thought: something which makes one think
play for time: delay doing something in the hope that the situation will improve
for the time being: until some other arrangement is made
ask for trouble: act in a dangerous or foolish way
for a while: for a period of time
word for word: exactly as said or written

From

from afar: from a distance
from all sides: from all directions
from head to foot: (of a person) completely; all over
from scratch: from the beginning
from time to time: occasionally

In

in addition to: as well as
in advance: before
be in agreement with: have the same opinion as
in any case: whatever happens

in brief: in a few words
in bulk: (of goods) in large amounts; not in packages
be in charge of: have responsibility for
in common: shared by all members of a group
in control: having the power to direct something
in the course of: during
in danger: likely to be harmed
in a daze: unable to think clearly; confused
in debt: owing money
in demand: (of goods or persons) desired by many people
in depth: (investigate something) thoroughly
in detail: (explain something) thoroughly
in disgrace: regarded with disapproval because of having done something wrong
in the distance: far away
in doubt: uncertain
in duplicate: so that there are two identical copies (of a document)
in earnest: seriously; in a determined way
in effect: (of rules) operating
in the end: finally
in fact: in reality; really
in fashion: fashionable; accepted as being the most desirable and up to date
in favor of: supporting (an idea)
in flames: burning, with visible flames
in a flash: very quickly; suddenly
in full: without omitting anything
in general: usually; as a whole
hand in hand: (of persons) holding hands; (of related situations) occurring together
in a hurry: trying to accomplish something quickly
in jest: as a joke
in kind: (payment) in goods rather than in money
in itself: without reference to anything else
in league with: (of persons) joined together with (usually for a dishonest purpose)
be in the limelight: be the focus of attention; receive great publicity
in the long run: in the end; eventually
in the long term: looking ahead to the distant future
leave someone in the lurch: abandon someone who is in a difficult situation
be in the minority: be in the smaller of two groups
in mint condition: (of manufactured goods) perfect; brand-new
in a minute: soon
in a moment: soon; quickly
set something in motion: start something going
nip something in the bud: put an end to something before it gets properly started
in no time: very soon; very quickly
in order of: arranged according to
in order to: for the purpose of
in part: to some degree
in particular: especially
in power: (of a political party) holding office
in practice: able to do something well because of recent practice; in reality (opposite of **in theory**)
in print: (of a book) printed and available from the publisher
in private: not in front of other people
in public: openly; not in private
in reality: really

in reserve: saved for later use
in retrospect: looking back over past events
in return for: as repayment for
be **in** the right: be correct
in season: (of fruit or vegetables) readily available at that time of year
in a second: soon; quickly
in short supply: scarce; not easily obtainable
in sight: able to be seen
in stock: (of goods at a store) present and available
in that case: if that is true
in theory: ideally; according to theoretical considerations
be **in** time: not be late
in touch with **in**: communication with; informed about
in triplicate: so that there are three identical copies (of a document)
be **in** trouble: be in a difficult situation; be blamed or punished for doing something wrong
in tune: at the correct pitch
act **in** unison: act together
in vain: without success
in the vicinity of: near
once **in** a while: occasionally
in words of one syllable: (explain something) clearly and simply
in working order: able to function properly
in the wrong: responsible for an error; guilty

Inside

inside out: with the inner side out; thoroughly

Into

paint oneself **into** a corner: take a course of action which greatly narrows one's future choices of action
go **into** hiding: hide oneself
get **into** a rut: get into a fixed and uninteresting way of life
get **into** trouble: get into a difficult situation; do something deserving blame or punishment

Of

of course: certainly; as one would expect; as everyone knows
hard **of** hearing: somewhat deaf
next **of** kin: nearest relative or relatives
of one's own accord: voluntarily; on one's own initiative
of one's own free will: voluntarily; by choice
one's point **of** view: one's opinion about something
right **of** way: public right to use a path or road; (of road traffic) right to proceed before others
rule **of** thumb: a simple way to calculate what procedure to follow, based on extensive experience, rather than on theoretical considerations

Off

go **off** the air: (of radio or television) stop broadcasting
off duty: not engaged in one's regular work
off one's hands: no longer one's responsibility
off and on: from time to time
off the record: say something privately, that is not to be officially recorded
off the track: following a wrong line of thought or action

On

- on** account of: because of
- be **on** the air: (of radio or television) be in the process of broadcasting
- on** the alert: ready to act
- be **on** all fours: (of a person) be on hands and knees
- on** the average: usually; normally
- on** behalf of: for; in the interests of
- on** board: on a ship or airplane
- on** business: as part of one's work
- on** condition that: only if; provided that
- on** demand: when asked for
- on** display: being exhibited
- on** duty: engaged in one's regular work
- on** fire: burning
- to go **on** foot: to walk
- be **on** one's guard: be alert and ready to meet an attack
- on** hand: available
- on** loan: lent and not yet returned
- shoot **on** location: (of a movie) film in natural surroundings, not in a studio
- on** the lookout: watchful
- put something **on** the map: cause something to become well-known
- get **on** one's nerves: annoy; irritate
- on** no account: absolutely not
- on** the one hand: (used to introduce one side of an argument)
- on** one's own: alone; without help
- act **on** one's own initiative: act independently, without orders from anyone else
- on** order: requested but not yet delivered
- on** the other hand: (used to introduce a contrasting side of an argument)
- act **on** principle: do something to support a policy
- on** purpose: deliberately
- go **on** record: say something which is to be officially recorded
- on** sale: being sold at a lower price than usual
- on** schedule: at the correct time; as planned or predicted
- on** second thoughts: after thinking further about something
- on** a shoestring: with a very small amount of money
- be **on** the spot: be where important events are taking place; be placed in an awkward situation
- on** the spur of the moment: on a sudden impulse
- go off **on** a tangent: change suddenly to a new line of thought or action
- on** time: at the correct time
- walk **on** tiptoe: walk on the toes and balls of the feet
- accept something **on** trust: accept something without proof
- on** the verge of: very close to; about to
- on** the whole: taking everything into consideration

Out of

out of the blue: unexpectedly
out of breath: (after running) panting from a shortage of oxygen
out of character: unlike a person's known character
out of control: not able to be regulated or guided
out of danger: safe
out of date: no longer used; old-fashioned; (of news) no longer true
out of debt: having paid one's debts
be **out of** one's depth: be unable to handle a situation because of lack of experience
out of doors: in the open air; not in a building
out of fashion: not fashionable; not presently in common use
out of hand: not under control
out of harm's way: safe
out of line with: in disagreement with
be **out of** one's mind: be insane
out of order: not functioning properly; (at a formal meeting) not behaving according to the rules
out of the ordinary: unusual
out of place: unsuitable
out of practice: unable to do something as well as one has in past, because of lack of recent practice
out of print: (of a book) no longer available from the publisher
out of proportion: too big or too small; not having the appropriate relationship to something
out of the question: impossible; not to be considered
out of season: (of fruit or vegetables) not readily available at that time of year
out of shape: (of persons) not in top condition because of lack of exercise
out of sight: hidden, not able to be seen
out of stock: (of goods at a store) temporarily unavailable
out of style: not fashionable
out of touch: with not in communication with; not informed about
out of town: having temporarily left town
out of trouble: not in trouble
out of tune: not at the correct pitch
out of work: no longer having employment

To

to all intents and purposes: in all important ways
to a certain extent: partly
to date: so far; until now
up **to** date: current; modern
see eye **to** eye with: agree entirely with
take something **to** heart: be much affected by something
made **to** measure: exactly suitable; (of clothes) made for a certain person
keep something **to** oneself: not tell anyone
to the point: relevant

Under

under age: below the age of being legally permitted to do something
under arrest: be held prisoner and charged with wrongdoing
under the auspices of: with the patronage of; supported by
under one's breath: in a whisper
under the circumstances: because this is true
under consideration: being thought about
under control: able to be regulated or guided
under cover of: protected by; undetected because of
under fire: being shot at; being criticized
under the impression that: having the idea that
under the influence of: be affected by
under oath: have sworn to tell the truth
under observation: being watched carefully
under restraint: prevented from doing something

Up

have something **up** one's sleeve: have a secret idea or plan in reserve

With

with impunity: without risk of injury or punishment
with the naked eye: without using a magnifying lens
with no strings attached: (of help given) with no conditions; to be used freely
take **with** a pinch of salt: not believe completely
with regard to: concerning; about
with respect to: concerning; about
tarred **with** the same brush: having the same faults
with a vengeance: very much; more than usual

Within

within limits: to a certain extent; not too much
within living memory: within the memory of people now alive

Without

go **without** saying: be obvious

3. NOUNS FOLLOWED BY PREPOSITIONS

The following are examples of nouns which are usually followed by certain prepositions. In the case of phrases which are idioms, the meanings of the phrases are indicated in brackets.

Against

take precautions against

For

have affection for

have compassion for

a reason for

have respect for

have a talent for

pave the way for (prepare for)

make allowances for

an excuse for

have a reputation for

have sympathy for

lie in wait for (ambush)

From

absence from

In

have confidence in

have an interest in

make progress in

have faith in

take part in

Into

have insight into

Of

have an abhorrence of

take advantage of

take command of

an example of

make a fool of

have an impression of

neglect of

a pair of

a possibility of

a proof of

recognition of

a result of

catch sight of (see suddenly)

a survey of

a symptom of

make use of

wash one's hands of (stop caring about and dealing with)

an acknowledgement of

take care of

evidence of

an excess of

make fun of (ridicule)

a lack of

a number of

be part of

make a practice of (do often)

a quantity of

a recollection of

run the risk of (risk)

a sign of

a symbol of

a token of

a way of

On

an attack on

make an impression on

shed light on (explain)

dependence on

play a joke on

have pity on

To

have access to
an objection to
a response to
shut one's eyes to (deliberately
ignore a problem)

pay attention to
a reply to
lay siege to (besiege)

Toward or Towards

animosity toward(s)

an attitude toward(s)

With

have a connection with
fall in love with

find fault with (criticize)
change places with

4. ADJECTIVES AND VERBS IN THE PASSIVE VOICE FOLLOWED BY PREPOSITIONS

In some cases different prepositions can be used without causing a change in meaning. For instance, the following examples both have the same meaning.

e.g. I was angry **at** them.

I was angry **with** them.

However, in many cases, the use of different prepositions causes a change in meaning. For instance, the past participle **protected** is typically followed by the preposition **from**. However, like many other past participles, **protected** may also be followed by the preposition **by**, where **by** serves to introduce the performer of the action expressed by the past participle.

e.g. The city is protected **from** the soldiers.

The city is protected **by** the soldiers.

The first example indicates that the soldiers are a threat to the city; whereas the second example indicates that the soldiers are protecting the city.

The following are examples of predicate adjectives and past participles of verbs in the Passive Voice which are usually followed by certain prepositions. In addition, it should be kept in mind that most verbs in the Passive Voice can be followed by a phrase beginning with the preposition **by**.

About

anxious about	concerned about
curious about	depressed about
doubtful about	enthusiastic about
excited about	happy about
pleased about	wrong about
worried about	

At

adept at	alarmed at
amazed at	overjoyed at
shocked at	surprised at

Between

torn between

By

accompanied by	caused by
guided by	manufactured by
obsessed by	written by

For

blamed for	eligible for
famous for	fit for
known for	late for
noted for	praised for
punished for	qualified for
ready for	responsible for
ripe for	sorry for
suitable for	

From

absent from
derived from
detached from
distinct from
far from
omitted from
removed from
separated from

apart from
descended from
different from
exempt from
isolated from
protected from
safe from

In

absorbed in
engaged in
interested in

disappointed in
immersed in
involved in

Of

accused of
ashamed of
capable of
composed of
convinced of
devoid of
ignorant of
jealous of
regardless of
sure of
suspected of
tired of

afraid of
aware of
certain of
conscious of
deprived of
fond of
independent of
proud of
reminded of
suspicious of
terrified of
worthy of

On

based on
intent on

dependent on

To

acceptable to	accessible to
accustomed to	adapted to
addicted to	adjacent to
attached to	attributable to
close to	committed to
comparable to	dedicated to
detrimental to	devoted to
due to	equal to
equivalent to	essential to
exposed to	faithful to
favorable to	foreign to
impervious to	indifferent to
indispensable to	inferior to
kind to	loyal to
next to	obedient to
obliged to	oblivious to
opposed to	parallel to
partial to	peculiar to
preferable to	prior to
proportional to	reconciled to
reduced to	related to
relative to	relevant to
resigned to	resistant to
restricted to	senior to
sensitive to	similar to
subject to	subordinate to
suited to	superior to
susceptible to	tied to

Toward or Towards

protective toward(s)

With

acquainted with	affiliated with
associated with	besieged with
compared with	compatible with
confronted with	consistent with
covered with	cursed with
exasperated with	familiar with
finished with	identified with
infatuated with	patient with
pleased with	satisfied with
synonymous with	threatened with

5. VERBS FOLLOWED BY PREPOSITIONS

The following are examples of verbs which are often followed by certain prepositions.

About

care about	complain about
forget about	lie about (tell a lie)
reminisce about	talk about
think about	wonder about
worry about	

Against

discriminate against	protest against
react against	rebel against
turn against	

At

aim at	bark at
connive at	frown at
gaze at	glare at
growl at	hint at
look at	point at
shoot at	smile at
snap at	sneer at
stare at	wave at
wink at	

For

apply for	apologize for
beg for	blame for
budget for	hope for
long for	look for
mourn for	pay for
plead for	pose for
pray for	prepare for
press for	register for
search for	shop for
substitute for	vouch for
wait for	wish for

From

abstain from	benefit from
deduct from	derive from
desist from	deter from
detract from	deviate from
differ from	divert from
escape from	extricate from
flee from	infer from
profit from	protect from
quote from	radiate from
recoil from	recover from
refrain from	shrink from
stem from	suffer from

In

believe in
 indulge in
 invest in
 persist in

engage in
 intervene in
 participate in
 succeed in

Into

change into
 delve into
 develop into
 fall into
 plunge into
 sink into

convert into
 dip into
 divide into
 merge into
 pry into
 transform into

Of

approve of
 conceive of
 deprive of
 disapprove of

beware of
 consist of
 die of
 smell of

On

blame on
 depend on
 impose on
 intrude on
 reflect on
 report on
 subsist on

concentrate on
 impinge on
 insist on
 pounce on
 rely on
 spy on
 thrive on

Over

preside over

trip over

To

adapt to
 adjust to
 belong to
 contribute to
 listen to
 pertain to
 refer to
 respond to
 revert to
 subscribe to
 surrender to

adhere to
 amount to
 conform to
 correspond to
 object to
 prefer to
 relate to
 resort to
 submit to
 succumb to
 yield to

With

agree with
 collaborate with
 communicate with
 concur with
 contend with
 cope with
 flirt with
 share with

associate with
 combine with
 comply with
 consort with
 cooperate with
 correspond with
 mingle with
 sympathize with