

# Preposition

## Practice exercise

**Direction (1-40): Fill in the blanks with the correct preposition.**

1. As soon as Gary heard his boss coming, he jumped \_\_\_\_ his chair and pretended he was working.  
(a) inside (b) under  
(c) on (d) down  
(e) None of these
2. Your friend is waiting for you \_\_\_\_ the office,  
(a) around (b) outside  
(c) above (d) against  
(e) None of these
3. \_\_\_\_ heard the sound of glass breaking in the living room and \_\_\_\_ to see what had happened. A pigeon had flown \_\_\_\_ the window and broken it.  
(a) for (b) from  
(c) by (d) against  
(e) None of these
4. He is fond \_\_\_\_ dancing.  
(a) on (b) by  
(c) at (d) of  
(e) None of these
5. I don't know how many times I have told my son to look both ways before running \_\_\_\_ the street.  
(a) across (b) along  
(c) beside (d) around  
(e) None of these
6. Jerry's house is \_\_\_\_ the grocery store and the gas station.  
(a) under (b) off  
(c) among (d) between  
(e) None of these
7. The temperature in Paris today is seven degrees \_\_\_\_ zero.  
(a) before (b) below  
(c) under (d) beneath  
(e) None of these
8. The dog is sitting \_\_\_\_ the table.  
(a) on (b) over  
(c) about (d) with  
(e) None of these
9. I was jogging in the park this morning and saw this dog coming \_\_\_\_ me.  
(a) onto (b) beyond  
(c) towards (d) below  
(e) None of these
10. Michael Hussey lives \_\_\_\_ the hills.  
(a) above (b) unto  
(c) onto (d) up  
(e) None of these
11. We live \_\_\_\_ Paris.  
(a) in (b) on  
(c) at (d) under  
(e) None of these
12. He was \_\_\_\_ the cinema yesterday.  
(a) on (b) onto  
(c) to (d) at  
(e) none of these
13. There is a bridge \_\_\_\_ the river.  
(a) across (b) to  
(c) in (d) into  
(e) None of these
14. The sun is \_\_\_\_ the clouds.  
(a) along (b) after  
(c) of (d) above  
(e) None of these
15. The pen is \_\_\_\_ the drawer.  
(a) to (b) in  
(c) through (d) after  
(e) None of these
16. The child ran \_\_\_\_ his father.  
(a) on (b) m  
(c) towards (d) through  
(e) None of these
17. He comes \_\_\_\_ a village.  
(a) on (b) from  
(c) to (d) under  
(e) none of these
18. The strange object began \_\_\_\_ shine.  
(a) on (b) Trough  
(c) to (d) up  
(e) None of these

- 19.** She filled \_\_\_\_ a basin with water.  
 (a) to (b) off  
 (c) up (d) on  
 (e) None of these
- 20.** He picked up the single strand \_\_\_\_ hair.  
 (a) on (b) of  
 (c) to (d) up  
 (e) None of these
- 21.** I prefer to read \_\_\_\_ the library  
 (a) on (b) by  
 (c) in (d) for  
 (e) None of these
- 22.** She swam \_\_\_\_ the pool.  
 (a) across (b) for  
 (c) of (d) off  
 (e) None of these
- 23.** Take your sister \_\_\_\_ you.  
 (a) to (b) for  
 (c) with (d) on  
 (e) None of these
- 24.** The bone was \_\_\_\_ the dog.  
 (a) after (b) for  
 (c) to (d) about  
 (e) None of these
- 25.** We are going on vacation \_\_\_\_ August.  
 (a) to (b) for  
 (c) of (d) in  
 (e) None of these
- 26.** Please put the vase \_\_\_\_ the table.  
 (a) on (b) about  
 (c) from (d) since  
 (e) None of these
- 27.** He will come \_\_\_\_ Sunday,  
 (a) from (b) since  
 (c) on (d) for  
 (e) None of these
- 28.** Henry is looking \_\_\_\_ James.  
 (a) from (b) to  
 (c) by (d) for  
 (e) None of these
- 29.** I went \_\_\_\_ New York last June.  
 (a) for (b) of  
 (c) to (d) by  
 (e) None of these
- 30.** He climbed \_\_\_\_ the ladder.  
 (a) of (b) for  
 (c) from (d) up  
 (e) None of these
- 31.** The paper is \_\_\_\_ my desk.  
 (a) to (b) on  
 (c) across (d) through  
 (e) None of these
- 32.** She is \_\_\_\_ the phone right now.  
 (a) on (b) in  
 (c) at (d) of  
 (e) None of these
- 33.** He hit me \_\_\_\_ a stick.  
 (a) Within (b) with  
 (c) for (d) over  
 (e) None of these
- 34.** I wore a ring \_\_\_\_ my finger.  
 (a) at (b) across  
 (c) among (d) on  
 (e) None of these
- 35.** I will meet you \_\_\_\_ 2 p.m.  
 (a) on (b) in  
 (c) among (d) at  
 (e) None of these
- 36.** Throw it \_\_\_\_ the dustbin.  
 (a) into  
 (b) for  
 (c) from  
 (d) to (e) None of these
- 37.** Nice \_\_\_\_ meet you.  
 (a) of (b) off  
 (c) to (d) ny  
 (e) None of these
- 38.** He is \_\_\_\_ vacation.  
 (a) for (b) of  
 (c) on (d) into  
 (e) None of these
- 39.** Smith's birthday is \_\_\_\_ March.  
 (a) at (b) on  
 (c) in (d) to  
 (e) None of these
- 40.** Don't run \_\_\_\_ the classroom.  
 (a) at (b) on  
 (c) among (d) in  
 (e) None of these

## Answer

<b>1.</b> (C)	<b>2.</b> (B)	<b>3.</b> (D)	<b>4.</b> (D)	<b>5.</b> (A)
<b>6.</b> (D)	<b>7.</b> (B)	<b>8.</b> (A)	<b>9.</b> (C)	<b>10.</b> (D)
<b>11.</b> (A)	<b>12.</b> (D)	<b>13.</b> (A)	<b>14.</b> (D)	<b>15.</b> (B)
<b>16.</b> (C)	<b>17.</b> (B)	<b>18.</b> (C)	<b>19.</b> (C)	<b>20.</b> (B)
<b>21.</b> (C)	<b>22.</b> (A)	<b>23.</b> (C)	<b>24.</b> (B)	<b>25.</b> (D)
<b>26.</b> (A)	<b>27.</b> (C)	<b>28.</b> (D)	<b>29.</b> (C)	<b>30.</b> (D)
<b>31.</b> (B)	<b>32.</b> (A)	<b>33.</b> (B)	<b>34.</b> (D)	<b>35.</b> (D)
<b>36.</b> (A)	<b>37.</b> (C)	<b>38.</b> (C)	<b>39.</b> (C)	<b>40.</b> (D)