

# Prepositions

## 1 Complete these sentences using these prepositions. Only use each one once:

*off, between, through, under, back from, out of, into, over, past, across.*

- a) The river is \_\_\_\_\_ the bridge.
- b) The bridge goes \_\_\_\_\_ the river.
- c) You must get \_\_\_\_\_ Prague to enjoy the Bohemian countryside!
- d) He fell from the bridge \_\_\_\_\_ the river.
- e) You can drive \_\_\_\_\_ the Liben tunnel.
- f) He is \_\_\_\_\_ his holidays and he has a great suntan.
- g) You must go \_\_\_\_\_ the bridge if you want to go to the castle.
- h) If you get tram number 22, it will take you \_\_\_\_\_ the castle.
- i) Don't jump \_\_\_\_\_ the Zizkov TV tower!
- j) Life is what happens \_\_\_\_\_ birth and death.

## 2 Fill in the blanks with the correct prepositions. If no preposition is needed, leave the space empty.

- 1 The new computerised system consists \_\_\_\_ two units equipped \_\_\_\_ digital cameras.
- 2 Palm-size and handheld PCs will benefit \_\_\_\_ speech technology.
- 3 The stay abroad was of great benefit \_\_\_\_ my future career.
- 4 Brian's job involves a lot of travelling. He often has to go away \_\_\_\_ business.
- 5 The company was faced \_\_\_\_ financial problems.
- 6 The firm closed down because there wasn't enough demand \_\_\_\_ its product.
- 7 It wasn't easy but in the end we succeeded \_\_\_\_ finding a solution \_\_\_\_ the problem.
- 8 Do you know how to operate \_\_\_\_ this instrument?
- 9 Who is in charge \_\_\_\_ this project?
- 10 Bill provided me \_\_\_\_ all the information I needed.
- 11 He was promoted \_\_\_\_ a senior position.
- 12 The lawyer advised us \_\_\_\_ tax matters.
- 13 If you're worried about the problem, you should do something \_\_\_\_ it.
- 14 We discussed \_\_\_\_ the problem but we didn't reach a decision.
- 15 Why don't you apply \_\_\_\_ that job?
- 16 This regulation doesn't apply \_\_\_\_ you. You are \_\_\_\_ (*less than*) 18.
- 17 Workers at the factory have gone \_\_\_\_ strike for better pay and conditions.
- 18 The company has rejected the workers' demands \_\_\_\_ a rise \_\_\_\_ pay.
- 19 George's salary is very low. It isn't enough to live \_\_\_\_ .
- 20 He promised \_\_\_\_ us a share \_\_\_\_ the profits.
- 21 I'm interested \_\_\_\_ chess but I'm not very good \_\_\_\_ it.
- 22 The police are searching \_\_\_\_ the man who escaped from prison.
- 23 It's not very pleasant when you are accused \_\_\_\_ something you didn't do.
- 24 I promise to get everything ready \_\_\_\_ eight o'clock at the latest.
- 25 He was accepted \_\_\_\_ a programming course.
- 26 What time do you usually arrive \_\_\_\_ work in the morning?
- 27 He arrived \_\_\_\_ London \_\_\_\_ 6 pm \_\_\_\_ a foggy November day. We often have fogs \_\_\_\_ November.
- 28 We must try to get \_\_\_\_ home \_\_\_\_ time \_\_\_\_ dinner.
- 29 I'm a bit lonely. I need somebody to talk \_\_\_\_ .
- 30 We have to deal \_\_\_\_ this problem as soon as possible.
- 31 These days everybody is aware \_\_\_\_ the dangers of smoking.
- 32 I wanted to go alone but they insisted \_\_\_\_ coming with me.
- 33 John graduated \_\_\_\_ chemistry and physics.
- 34 It's three years \_\_\_\_ I did any skiing.
- 35 We didn't reach Berlin \_\_\_\_ after dark, and had some difficulty \_\_\_\_ finding our hotel.
- 36 He became involved \_\_\_\_ new research.
- 37 My job involves \_\_\_\_ a fixed working time.
- 38 You can't rely \_\_\_\_ him. He's almost always late \_\_\_\_ appointments.
- 39 It never occurred \_\_\_\_ me to ask him \_\_\_\_ proof \_\_\_\_ his identity.
- 40 Barcodes in the packaging of groceries will soon be replaced \_\_\_\_ radio-frequency tags.
- 41 The number of people suffering \_\_\_\_ heart disease has increased.
- 42 I hardly ever use a credit card or cheques. I prefer to pay for things \_\_\_\_ cash.
- 43 Did you come here \_\_\_\_ car or \_\_\_\_ foot?

- 44 The police want to question a man in connection \_\_\_\_ the robbery.
- 45 Write your name \_\_\_\_ the top / bottom of the page.
- 46 You'll find the sports results \_\_\_\_ the back page of the newspaper.
- 47 I'll wait \_\_\_\_ Friday before making a decision.
- 48 Have you ever been \_\_\_\_ Australia?
- 49 There was an accident \_\_\_\_ the crossroads this morning.
- 50 Turn left \_\_\_\_ the roundabout.