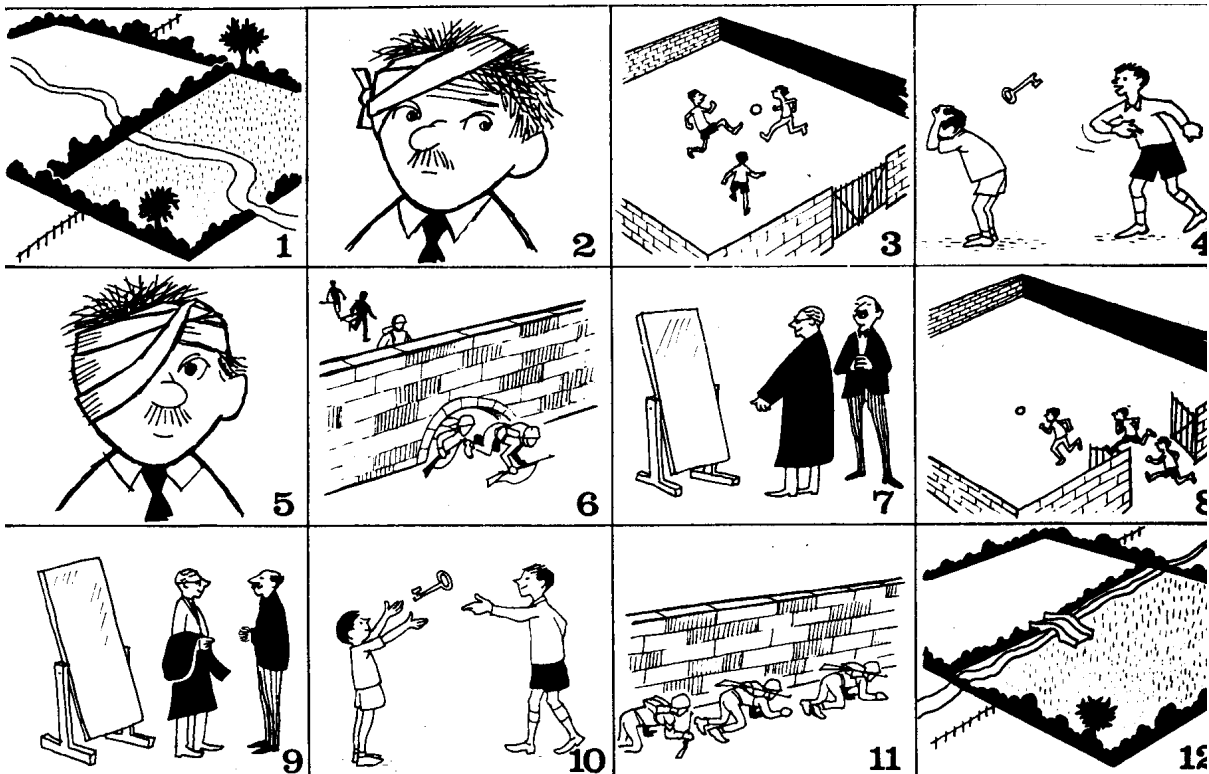


pRePoSiTiOnS

I. over, under, behind, after

- Peter could hardly believe that such a beautiful pen was _____ five dollars; his old pen had cost more than twice as much, for he had paid _____ ten dollars for it.
- The detective who ran _____ the fat thief soon caught him.
- Tell Joe to hurry up; he is _____ all the other runners in the race.
- There was a small cut _____ the man's chin.
- Our new school is situated _____ the park.
- We arrived at the party shortly _____ seven o'clock.
- The road is very dark, for it runs _____ the railway bridge.



II. Each sentence below describes one of the pictures above. Put the number of the right picture against each sentence.

- The boys were running in the playground. _____
- The boys were running into the playground. _____
- He had a bandage over his eye. _____
- He had a bandage above his eye. _____
- A man in a black coat is in the shop. _____
- A man with a black coat is in the shop. _____
- The stream ran through the two fields. _____
- The stream ran between the two fields. _____
- He threw the key at the small child. _____
- He threw the key to the small child. _____
- The soldiers crawled slowly below the wall. _____
- The soldiers crawled slowly under the wall. _____

III. after, behind, over, under

1. The horse refused to jump _____ the fence,
2. How can you possibly have seen a man who was hiding _____ a tree?
3. We all decided to shelter _____ the branches of the old oak tree.
4. Mrs Hill turned round to look at the lady sitting in the row _____ us.
5. Mr and Mrs Green quarrelled _____ the new car: she thought it was too expensive.
6. A big lorry ran _____ Alan's kite.
7. My brother began to cry when he saw Ann holding a stick _____ her apron.

IV. on, in, off

1. _____ thinking again about the matter, I must admit that you were right and I was wrong.
2. The small boy fell _____ the high wall and broke his leg.
3. What are you doing _____ Thursday evening?
4. I am studying for my examinations. They will be held _____ July.
5. Inspector Playton gave an interesting talk _____ Road Safety.
6. I live _____ Bombay: that is my house _____ the hill.
7. His house is _____ the other side of the river _____ front of the small wood.
8. Mrs Brown waited a long time but couldn't get _____ a bus, so she took a taxi. Did you see her getting _____ the taxi?

V. after, before, during, until, by

1. 'You cannot remain at school _____ such disgraceful conduct,' said the principal.
2. John succeeded in reaching the top _____ sheer determination.
3. Will you visit my parents in Tokyo _____ your visit to Japan?
4. 'You must wait in the queue until the people who are _____ you have been served,' the shopkeeper said.
5. I did not hear the good news _____ Jack's arrival.
6. We decided to travel _____ night and sleep _____ the day.
7. The waiter ran _____ the customer with his bill.
8. I arrived a few minutes _____ seven o'clock.
9. John did not get up _____ nine o'clock: he was just in time to hear the beginning of the nine o'clock news on the radio.
10. Old Mr Blinks will have been at the school for 35 years _____ September next year.
11. The old man was silent _____ putting the telephone down .
12. We passed _____ the old castle on our way to the meeting.
13. Thousands of soldiers were killed _____ fierce battle.

VI. over, after, behind, under

1. Uncle Tom and I realized at once that something very strange was _____ my father's sudden departure.
2. Many people were imprisoned without a trial _____ the old government.
3. The argument was § a very small matter.
4. Please write your initials on the same line _____ your surname.
5. A thick mist soon spread _____ the fields.
6. Only children _____ ten years of age are old enough to apply for entry to this school.
7. You deserve to pass the examination _____ working so hard.

VII. in, on, off

1. Dr. Roger Bannister was the first man to run a mile _____ four minutes.
2. You cannot see the house because it is a little way _____ the main road.
3. There was a beautiful statue _____ the church.
4. She broke a piece _____ the big bar of chocolate and gave it to me.
5. There were many well-known people _____ the audience.
6. Many of my friends are _____ the club and my best friend is _____ the committee.
7. She has a diamond ring _____ her finger.

8. Did you read my essay _____ China?

VIII. after, before, during, until, by

1. I heard the sound of someone running _____ me but I did not stop to run around.
2. Many ships were lost _____ the terrible storm.
3. The bid dog recognized his master _____ so many years of being parted.
4. Do you wish to go to Singapore _____ Ceylon or direct?
5. You will have to wait _____ tomorrow morning to find out the results.
6. The headmaster gave the school a day's holiday _____ its success in the sports.
7. This water-colour is _____ the famous artist, Constable; he painted it when he was a young man.
8. We all had plenty of time to relax _____ our holidays.
9. The man was a clerk _____ his present job.
10. He cheated everyone _____ his clever tricks.
11. Who is the woman standing _____ Mr Miller?
12. How could you have invited John _____ everything you said about his dishonesty?

IX. to, at, in

1. At what time do you get _____ the office?
2. Canton is a large city _____ South China.
3. The happy couple were married _____ the end of the story.
4. Peter threw a stone _____ the old man.
5. Is this the last bus _____ Cairo tonight?
6. Who is that _____ the door?
7. They live _____ a valley _____ the bottom of the hill.
8. Smoking is not allowed _____ this building.
9. I saw her standing _____ the window, waving to everyone who passed by.
10. Much _____ everyone's surprise, John wanted to hit the big man.
11. We saw Mr and Mrs Lee _____ Easter and arranged for them to visit us _____ October.
So we shall see them _____ two months.
12. The painter sleeps _____ the afternoon and begins his work _____ night.

X. from, of, by, with

1. Mr Peabody is the uncle _____ the famous statesman.
2. Grace won the music competition _____ practicing had every day.
3. The other girl, however, won _____ help _____ her father.
4. How far is New York _____ San Francisco?
5. William was helped _____ his father.
6. She cut the cake _____ a silver knife.
7. The Philippines are south _____ Hong Kong.
8. Peter ran to meet me and, _____ a big smile, told me the happy news.
9. May suddenly fainted _____ the great shock.
10. She was treated for shock _____ two nurses.
11. He was a man _____ great learning and knew the answer to every question he was asked.
12. It was difficult climbing the cliff _____ the old rope.
13. The cat was always being chased _____ the dog.
14. London is a long way _____ Durban, isn't it?
15. The mayor _____ the town opened the new building.
16. It was an easy matter to see that he was a man _____ good taste.
17. The only person I saw was a man _____ a leather case in his right hand.
18. The old soldier often talked _____ battles long ago.
19. Many people went _____ me while I was waiting for my friend.
20. Lady Rose is traveling to India _____ her sister.
21. Mr Truelove spoke _____ pride about his son.
22. The bos is made _____ wood.

23. Tommy delivered a powerful blow _____ his left hand.
24. Old Mr Reed climbed the hill _____ great difficulty.
25. Mary was only a girl _____ sixteen when war broke out.

XI. over, under, behind, after

1. Your milkman has not come yet: he is _____ with the milk this morning.
2. Mr Johnson could never have started his shop if a rich friend had not been _____ him.
3. The picture that won the first prize was an oil-painting _____ Picasso: some people even thought it was by Picasso.
4. When Jack returned to school _____ his long illness, he found that he was _____ the rest of the class.
5. Smith is studying _____ Professor Long.
6. The police are taking great care this year _____ last year's riots.
7. There were _____ a thousand people present at the wedding.

XII. to, at, in

1. Haworth, the home of the Brontë sisters, is a small village _____ Yorkshire.
2. The guide accompanied the tourists _____ the entrance of the cave, but would not go any further.
3. President Washington lived _____ America.
4. I was born _____ 15 Great Victoria Street, Lagos.
5. The class went for a walk _____ the country.
6. Does this bus stop _____ the bank?
7. Many children _____ the crowd were waving small flags.
8. The airplane is flying _____ Australia.
9. There a thousands of refugees _____ Hong Kong.
10. Several policemen were standing _____ the road.
11. We arrived _____ the station just in time to catch the train.
12. My uncle has rented a small house _____ the back of the park.

XIII. below, under, above, over

1. Whose dog is lying _____ this table?
2. The waitress put a clean table-cloth _____ this table.
3. A thick white mist settled _____ the city.
4. The big apple was hanging on the branch _____ me.
5. The new bridge _____ the River Dee has now been completed.
6. We bought the car for _____ 200 pound; what a bargain!
7. The treasure is buried _____ this stone.

XIV. for, since

1. I haven't seen you _____ more than a year.
2. We waited for the doctor _____ a long time.
3. Mrs Smith said that she had lived abroad _____ fifteen years.
4. She had never been to England _____ 1950.
5. Henry has worked very hard _____ his failure in the examination.
6. I have been ill _____ the last few months.
7. Major Brown has been working in our office _____ his retirement from the army.
8. She will be staying there _____ a month.
9. I have been working overseas _____ last year.
10. I have been working overseas _____ the last year.
11. Mr Wood has been teaching in this school _____ before the war.
12. His wife was an artist _____ ten years before the war.
13. _____ several days he never visited his old mother.