

Chapter 21. Words Followed by Appropriate Prepositions

Exercise 1. Fill in the blanks with appropriate prepositions:

1. You are very different _____ your mother but quite similar _____ your father.
2. I complained _____ the shop assistant _____ the poor quality _____ the fabric.
3. She has been suffering _____ bad headaches _____ that car accident.
4. You can depend _____ him to arrive _____ time. He is never late.
5. She accused me _____ trying to steal her purse. I told her to look _____ it _____ the pillow. It was there only.
6. This town reminds me _____ the place where I was born. It is so full _____ life.
7. I explained my absence _____ the teacher but she was not satisfied _____ my explanation.
8. My younger brother apologised _____ me _____ losing his temper.
9. You cannot hold me responsible _____ your losses. Why are you shouting _____ me?
10. When I was young, I dreamt _____ becoming a playback singer. But now I have no taste _____ music. I am interested _____ Kathak.

Exercise 2. Fill in the blanks with appropriate prepositions:

1. Could you look _____ the baby while I am out shopping?
Sure, I'll take proper care _____ her. You can rely _____ me.
2. I don't care _____ money. Money is not a reliable source
_____ happiness.
3. _____ chance, we met a policeman who was familiar _____
my family.
4. I prefer goods made _____ India _____ imported goods.
5. My father was overcome _____ grief _____ the news of heavy
losses _____ business.
6. King Ashoka ruled _____ his people _____ love and care.
7. Although I don't know him, I sympathise _____ him _____ his
sorrow.
8. Are you blind _____ your own interests?
Maharaja Ranjit Singh was blind _____ one eye.
9. How can I compete _____ a boy who is so much superior
_____ me _____ intelligence?
10. We are convinced _____ his guilt, but if he prays _____
forgiveness, he will not be punished.