**Prepositions after verbs, adjectives, and before nouns – HW exercises**

**Write the correct preposition**

1 I’m afraid the other kids will laugh \_\_\_\_\_ me because I don’t understand.

2 I always confuse you \_\_\_\_\_ your sister – you look so alike.

3 ‘Please don’t be angry \_\_\_\_\_ me,’ she said.

4 Kate’s still so angry \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the whole thing.

5 Craig suffers \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ a rare bone disease.

6 She was annoyed \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Duncan for forgetting to phone.

7 Fire [investigators](http://www.ldoceonline.com/dictionary/investigator) believe the fire was set \_\_\_\_\_ purpose.

8 ‘Do you need any help?’ ‘No. It’s \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ control, thanks.’

9 The police believe that the same man is responsible \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ three other murders in the area.

10 \_\_\_\_\_\_ average, men still earn more than women.

11 He was accused \_\_\_\_\_\_ murder.

12 Many people now rely \_\_\_\_\_\_ the Internet for news.

13 Corinne reminds me \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ myself when I was her age.

14 I’m sorry, I was \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the impression that you were the manager.

15 She likes Biology, but she’s not too keen \_\_\_\_\_\_ Physics.

16 She will insist \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ washing her hair just when I want to have a bath.

17 Thousands of people blocked the street, protesting \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the new legislation.

18 It seems I’ve only succeeded \_\_\_\_\_\_ upsetting you.

19 The project is designed to provide young people \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ work.

20 But even if I was wrong \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Bryce, it's [impossible](http://www.ldoceonline.com/dictionary/impossible) I could be [wrong](http://www.ldoceonline.com/dictionary/wrong) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Magee.

21 Nicole is married \_\_\_\_\_\_ my brother.

22 People differ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ one another in their ability to handle stress.

23 Local authorities have to cope \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the problems of homelessness.

24 Simon specialized \_\_\_\_\_\_ contract law.

25 I was deeply shocked \_\_\_\_\_\_ Jo’s death.

26 Someone must have left the door open \_\_\_\_\_\_ mistake.

27 Excuse me, are these \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ sale?

28 I certainly prefer [rice](http://www.ldoceonline.com/dictionary/rice) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ [potatoes](http://www.ldoceonline.com/dictionary/potato).

29 I [spend](http://www.ldoceonline.com/dictionary/spend) most of my working day dealing \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ [customer](http://www.ldoceonline.com/dictionary/customer) [inquiries](http://www.ldoceonline.com/dictionary/enquiry).