



CLASS IX & X
ENGLISH GRAMMAR
PART I
LESSON 15
PREPOSITIONS

SOLUTIONS

EXERCISES

A. Do the exercises as directed:

1. Fill in the blanks with suitable Prepositions chosen from those given in the brackets: (Page 131)

- a. I have been waiting here for a long time. (since, for)
- b. The Principal talked to the students between 10 and 11 a.m. (between, from)
- c. The boy was born at Uripok in Imphal. (in, at)
- d. As he fell into debt, he sold his house and began to live in a small hut near a hill. (in, near, into)
- e. The man was seen standing beside her. (beside, besides)

2. Fill in the blanks with suitable Prepositions: (Page 131)

- a. The Principal acceded to his request.
- b. Alcohol is injurious to health.
- c. He is used to confiding his secrets to others.
- d. The boy is ignorant of what he has to do.
- e. There is no exception to this rule.
- f. Temperance is conducive to health.
- g. This girl is devoid of sense.
- h. The man is capable as a leader but intolerant to opposition.
- i. The final decision rests with our father.
- j. His friends prevailed upon him to withdraw his resignation.



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3. Pick out the Prepositions and Prepositional Phrases in the following sentences:
4. (Page 131)

| Given sentences | Prepositions | Prepositions Phrases |
|--|--------------|----------------------|
| a. The boy stood <u>on</u> the bench. | on | |
| b. The boy stood <u>in front of</u> the door. | | in front of |
| c. He is senior <u>to</u> me <u>in respect of</u> experience <u>in</u> the office. | to, in | in respect of |
| d. The Headmaster has sent <u>for</u> the wild boy. | for | |
| e. Sugar sells <u>at</u> 20 rupees a kilo. | at | |
| f. <u>In view of</u> his old age, he has not been given any hard work. | | in view of |
| g. The boat floated <u>down</u> the stream. | down | |
| h. The old man could not call <u>up</u> my name. | up | |
| i. I came here thrice a month. | — | — |
| j. The rebels were brought <u>under</u> control. | under | |

5. Insert suitable Prepositions in the blanks in the following sentences: (Page 132)

- a. Please do not compare him with my father. My father is quite superior to him in many ways. You will be sure of this if you see them together. You can certainly depend on my words.
- b. A child is not able to distinguish between good and evil. In the same way, death does not distinguish between the rich and the poor.
- c. The teacher looked at him angrily and forbade him to enter the classroom. He suspected him of mischief done to some other students.
- d. Last night I was suddenly awakened by the piercing cries, "Fire; Fire". I jumped out of my bed and rushed to the scene of fire. I was shocked to find that in the next street the beautiful house of my friend was on fire.
- e. Once Napoleon was camping in the north of France. He was planning an invasion of England. There were in his camp several prisoners under strict guard.



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6. Correct the errors in the use of Preposition in the following sentences: (Page 132)

- a. I refrain him to tell a lie.

Ans: I **refrain him from** telling a lie.

- b. We sat under the shade of a tree.

Ans: We sat **in the shade** of a tree.

- c. The teacher was angry upon him.

Ans: The teacher was **angry with** him.

- d. It is raining from morning.

Ans: It **has been raining since** morning.

- e. I will take revenge from my enemy.

Ans: I will take revenge **on** my enemy.

- f. What is the time in your watch?

Ans: What is the time **by** your watch?

- g. The boy has been standing on the road from 4 hours.

Ans: The boy has been standing on the road **for** 4 hours.

- h. My sister said it upon his face.

Ans: My sister said it **in his face**.



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