

Vocabulary • Verb + preposition

For questions 1–14, choose the correct preposition to complete the sentences.

- 1 The manager berated me for / in getting the dates of the meeting wrong.
- 2 I'm sorry but I most certainly do not approve with / of the action you have taken.
- 3 I want to live in a society where money is not valued merely for / by its own sake.
- 4 The scheme was criticized as it seems to actively discriminate against / about the unemployed.
- 5 Currently, society seems to favour the elite with / over those without access to schooling.
- 6 The man was quite brazen. He openly bragged to / about how many houses he's burgled.
- 7 The film I saw last night appealed with / to me for many reasons.
- 8 The opposition party called out / for an end to what it considers an unfair practice.
- 9 The students all longed to / for the class to end.
- 10 I like holidays where you can while through / away the time doing very little.
- 11 Gerry focused hard on / at achieving his aims.
- 12 The problem with this approach is that it doesn't allow to / for human error.
- 13 The controversial businessman was greeted to / with scepticism by the audience.
- 14 Some people find it impossible to get in / to grips with this deep alienation.