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Prepositional Verbs and Adjectives

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1. Complete the dramatic food critic's review of a disastrous dining experience by choosing the correct prepositions.

The head chef, seemingly impervious _____ any form of constructive criticism, presented a signature dish utterly devoid _____ flavor. The disastrous evening culminated _____ a dessert that tasted remarkably like damp cardboard, leaving us completely resigned _____ eating lukewarm fast food on the taxi ride home.

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- **A)** from
- **B)** against
- **C)** to

Blank 2

- **A)** from
- **B)** in
- **C)** of

Blank 3

- **A)** with
- **B)** at
- **C)** in

Blank 4

- **A)** for
- **B)** with
- **C)** to

2. Help the investigative journalist complete her scathing review of the Galactic Gateway project by choosing the correct preposition for each gap.

The billionaire's luxury space hotel project was fraught _____ technical issues from day one and utterly devoid _____ basic safety features. Experts warned that ignoring these structural flaws would inevitably culminate _____ a catastrophic disaster, but the CEO simply forced the engineers to resort _____ duct tape to fix the leaking hull.

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- **A)** about
- **B)** with
- **C)** for

Blank 2

- **A)** from
- **B)** of
- **C)** by

Blank 3

- **A)** into
- **B)** in
- **C)** at

Blank 4

- **A)** on
- **B)** to
- **C)** over

3. Complete the harsh theater critic's review of last night's disastrous play by selecting the right pair of prepositions.

The actors seemed to revel ___ the absolute chaos of the second act, which ultimately culminated ___ the lead soprano accidentally setting her own wig on fire.

Select one.

- **A)** at / to
- **B)** with / into
- **C)** on / with
- **D)** in / in

4. Help Captain Zaphod complete his highly classified captain's log. Select ALL the adjective-preposition combinations that grammatically and logically fit the blank.

"Despite the flashing red alarms, my crew remains blissfully _____ the cosmic anomaly we are about to enter."

Select all that apply.

- **A)** ignorant of
- **B)** oblivious to
- **C)** unconcerned about
- **D)** unaware to
- **E)** heedless to

5. Help the starship captain complete the official log regarding a newly discovered, highly dangerous planet.

Although the planet's toxic atmosphere is not conducive _____ human life, the extraction mission is fraught _____ unforeseen perils that we must navigate. I must apprise the High Council _____ our findings immediately, as our colony's continued survival hinges _____ securing these rare minerals.

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- **A)** to
- **B)** for
- **C)** with

Blank 2

- **A)** with
- **B)** of
- **C)** by

Blank 3

- **A)** of
- **B)** about
- **C)** on

Blank 4

- **A)** on
- **B)** to
- **C)** with

6. Step into the shoes of a dramatic prosecution lawyer. Select ALL the verb phrases that correctly complete her fiery closing statement.

"Ladies and gentlemen of the jury, the defendant has consistently _____ the rules of this fine institution!"

Select all that apply.

- **A)** scoffed at
- **B)** rebelled against
- **C)** dispensed with
- **D)** flouted at
- **E)** disregarded of

7. Help the seasoned detective finish her rather poetic case report by choosing the grammatically correct words.

The suspect's initial alibi was fraught ___ glaring inconsistencies, all of which seemed to stem ___ a misguided attempt to protect his hopelessly clumsy brother.

Select one.

- **A)** of / out
- **B)** with / from
- **C)** by / of
- **D)** in / with

8. Help a ruthless food critic finish his scathing restaurant review. Select ALL the options that use the grammatically correct preposition to complete the sentence.

"The chef's latest creation is essentially a hollowed-out cabbage, completely _____ any recognizable flavor."

Select all that apply.

- **A)** devoid of
- **B)** bereft of
- **C)** lacking in
- **D)** deficient of
- **E)** empty from

9. Help the disgruntled employee draft their formal resignation letter by choosing the correct prepositions.

Your insistence on micromanaging every trivial detail is tantamount ___ a complete lack of trust, and my current salary is hardly commensurate ___ the immense stress I endure daily.

Select one.

- **A)** with / to
- **B)** to / with
- **C)** of / for
- **D)** as / to