

Business English prepositions pairwork game
Market Leader Pre-Intermediate New Edition Unit 2
Student A

Try to guess the missing prepositions below. One preposition fills the gaps of all the sentences in one section.

1

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How _____ paying me half when I start the work?

Be very clear _____ the price of products

2

We would like it _____ a month's time

We'd like half the money _____ advance.

We offer a discount to customers who buy _____ bulk.

_____ order to get a full refund, customers must send back goods

_____ the original packaging.

3

They are now ready _____ negotiate.

They key _____ our success is that we treat the customer as a single individual.

The prices that we show on the website are identical _____ the prices in the store.

You can return that item _____ a store.

4

At Kelkoo, a shopper can compare prices _____ any product.

Customers will sometimes order _____ the telephone.

What our customers want depends _____ the product.

Some people buy something _____ that day.

5

Our priority is to have the website up and running as soon _____ possible

That could be all right I suppose, as long _____ I get some money ahead of time.

Items such _____ televisions and DVD players become more common purchases.

Retailers should probably try to integrate the two as much _____ possible.

6

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You can call _____ a call centre and enquire about your order.

Check your answers overleaf.

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Change partners so you are working with someone who has a different worksheet. Test them on the prepositions on your sheet, giving them more examples from the same section until they guess correctly. You get one point for each wrong guess, so choose the most difficult first.

Why is each preposition used? What words do each one collocate with?

Find similar prepositions from Unit 5 to test other groups with.

Do the same with a/ an/ the/ some/ any with phrases and sentences from U2.

Test each other with missing prepositions and articles in negotiations.

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Goods are kept _____ our warehouse until they are ready for delivery.
_____ addition, it also makes it easier for consumers to compare prices.
This creates a dilemma for retailers who sell products both online and
_____ shops.
We serve those customers _____ the most appropriate way.

2

I was hoping _____ have two months to do the job.
If I finish in one month, will you agree _____ reduce the number of pages
It wants to appeal _____ a wider range.
It offers cheap flights _____ a small range of destinations.

3

That's the normal fee _____ the job
We'd prefer to pay you a fixed amount _____ the work
Some businesses, _____ example, have set up their operation to allow
customers to shop online.
Customers use websites _____ lots of different reasons.

4

Products and services offered _____ a large discount are generally a
bargain.
Consumers become better _____ surfing the internet.
We need to understand what customers need _____ any one time.

5

Being very clear _____ the customer about what the delivery options are.
Customers online behave very similarly _____ customers on the high
street.
A site that's easy _____ navigate.
If you can get those key things right, then customers will keep coming back
_____ you.

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We must have delivery _____ the end of next week.
How do you run these two business side _____ side?

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