



Answers

1. c) to
2. a) for
3. b) to
4. d) about
5. a) from
6. c) on
7. b) at
8. d) at
9. a) with
10. c) for
11. b) about
12. d) in
13. a) with
14. c) about
15. b) for
16. d) on
17. a) at
18. c) at
19. b) for
20. d) from



Explanations

1. “to” (c)

'Listen to' is a fixed combination. We always say 'listen to someone/something', never 'listen at' or 'listen for' (which means 'try to hear').

2. “for” (a)

'Look for' means to search for something. Compare: 'look at' (direct your eyes at) and 'look for' (try to find).

3. “to” (b)

'Belong to' means to be the property of someone or something. We always say 'belong to', never 'belong of'.

4. “about” (d)

'Worry about' means to feel anxious about something. We say 'worry about something', not 'worry for something'.

5. “from” (a)

'Borrow from' means to take something temporarily from someone. Compare: 'borrow from' (take) vs 'lend to' (give).

6. “on” (c)

'Spend money on' is a fixed combination. We say 'spend (money/time) on something'.

7. “at” (b)

'Arrive at' is used for specific places like buildings and locations: arrive at the airport, at the station, at school. Use 'arrive in' for cities and countries.

8. “at” (d)

'Laugh at' means to make fun of someone. We say 'laugh at someone', not 'laugh on someone'.

9. “with” (a)

'Agree with someone' means to have the same opinion as them. Note: 'agree on something' means to reach the same decision about a topic.

10. “for” (c)

'Wait for' means to stay until someone or something arrives. We always say 'wait for', never 'wait to' (which is followed by a verb, e.g. 'wait to see').

11. “about” (b)

'Complain about' means to express dissatisfaction about something. We say 'complain about something' or 'complain to someone'.

12. “in” (d)

'Believe in' means to have faith in the value or existence of something. 'I believe in hard work' means I think hard work is important.

13. “with” (a)

'Deal with' means to take action to solve a problem or handle a situation. We always say 'deal with something', never 'deal about' or 'deal for'.

14. “about” (c)

'Talk about something' means to discuss a topic. Compare: 'talk to/with someone' (speak with a person) vs 'talk about something' (discuss a subject).

15. “for” (b)

'Ask for' means to request something. Compare: 'ask for something' (request) vs 'ask about something' (enquire).

16. “on” (d)

'Rely on' means to trust and depend on someone or something. We always say 'rely on', never 'rely at' or 'rely to'.

17. “at” (a)

'Smile at' means to direct a smile towards someone. We say 'smile at someone', similar to 'look at' and 'laugh at'.

18. “at” (c)

'Look at' means to direct your eyes towards something and see it. Compare: 'look at' (see) vs 'look for' (search).

19. “for” (b)

'Pay for' means to give money in exchange for something. We say 'pay for something', not 'pay something' (although 'pay the bill' without a preposition is also correct).

20. “from” (d)

'Suffer from' means to experience pain or illness. We say 'suffer from an illness/condition', not 'suffer of'.