

# "Eating jellyfish could save endangered fish"

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Scientists think they have found an (1) answer to the problem of food shortages. One (2) solution could be for us to eat jellyfish. This could also help to (3) protect fish and other sea life that are endangered. Researchers from the University of Queensland in Australia conducted a (4) study of fishing around the world. They discovered that fishing nets (5) caught 92 endangered species of seafood and 11 species of marine life classed as "critically endangered". The researchers said this was not (6) illegal as the creatures were not protected. Researcher Dr Leslie Robertson said: "Despite (7) national and international commitments to protect threatened species, we (8) actively fish for many of these threatened species."

*study*  
*answer*  
*caught*  
*national*  
*protect*  
*actively*  
*solution*  
*illegal*

The researchers warned we are eating (9) species of fish and other sea life that are on the (10) brink of extinction. They suggested that eating jellyfish could help protect fish that are in (11) danger of disappearing from our seas and oceans. Jellyfish could become a common sight on (12) menus, and we could ask for jellyfish and chips instead of fish and chips. The researchers said jellyfish could be a sustainable (13) alternative at seafood restaurants and fish shops. Dr Robertson said seafood is "not as sustainable as (14) consumers would like to think". She added: "It is possible to manage our fisheries sustainably and eat species that can (15) survive the fishing pressure. We just have to care about weird-looking (16) squishy things like sea cucumbers."

*alternative*  
*survive*  
*brink*  
*squishy*  
*menus*  
*species*  
*danger*  
*consumers*

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## • Reading Comprehension Assessment

**Directions:** Read the passage. Then answer the questions below.

### Food Truck

*In this passage, a reporter asks Aaron King about his job running a food truck.*



**Reporter:** How long have you been operating a food truck?

**King:** I have been running my dessert truck, Cleveland Cupcakes, for three years now.

**Reporter:** How did you get started running a dessert truck?

**King:** First of all, I went to culinary school and learned to bake cookies, cakes, and pies professionally. After I graduated, I worked at a bakery for five years. I always dreamed of opening my own bakery, but I didn't have the money to do it. Then one summer, I saw several ice cream trucks driving around Cleveland. I thought, "Why can't I run an ice cream truck, but with cupcakes instead?" So I **purchased** a truck, and the rest is history.

**Reporter:** Do you bake cupcakes on the truck?

**King:** No. Any oven that fits in the back of a truck would be too small to make the number of cupcakes that I sell each day. I bake a lot of cupcakes in the early morning, and then I take them all out on the truck to sell.

**Reporter:** What are the most popular flavors on Cleveland Cupcakes' menu?

**King:** S'mores, chocolate-caramel, and banana are probably the most popular flavors.

**Reporter:** What is your favorite flavor of cupcake?

**King:** My favorite flavor is probably red velvet. I really liked the cream cheese frosting on red velvet cupcakes.

**Reporter:** Where and when is the truck open for business?

**King:** Cleveland Cupcakes can be found on the streets of downtown Cleveland between 1 p.m. and 8 p.m. every day of the week.

**Reporter:** What is the best part about running a cupcake truck?

**King:** There are lots of good parts! I own the truck, so I make my own hours. I'm never hungry, because I always have a snack nearby. But the best part is meeting fun new people every day! I love connecting with other people who love cupcakes as much as I do.

1) This passage was most likely written to

- A. teach readers how to bake cupcakes
- B. teach readers how to run a cupcake truck
- C. **give readers information about Cleveland Cupcakes**
- D. give readers information about Cleveland food trucks

2) Based on information in the beginning of the passage, we can understand that

- A. **food trucks costs less than bakeries**
- B. dessert trucks cost more than food trucks



# 2

## Choose the preposition 1: at, by, for, in

Complete the following sentences using **at, by, for** or **in**.

- 1 He sent a copy of his will to his bank ...**for**..... safe keeping.
- 2 The house is to be sold ..**by**..... auction.
- 3 Although I practise quite a lot, I never seem to win very often **at**..... tennis.
- 4 Let Albert work it out; he has an aptitude **for**..... figures.
- 5 You could tell ...**at**..... a glance that he was no ordinary speaker.
- 6 Most people think the government is to blame **for**..... rising unemployment.
- 7 Although their marriage was not a happy one, they decided to stay together ..**for**..... the sake of the children.
- 8 There has been a sharp increase **in**..... house prices in recent months.
- 9 They began to drop out of the race one ....**by**..... one.
- 10 Do you know of a cure **for**..... baldness?
- 11 She takes great pride **in**..... her work.
- 12 He was the sort of person who immediately made you feel **at**..... ease.
- 13 Did she give you any reason ....**for**..... her behaviour?
- 14 I'm sorry, but I'm not ....**at**..... liberty to tell you any more.
- 15 John's got very strange taste **in**..... clothes, hasn't he?
- 16 Could you come back in half an hour? Mr Baston's ...**at**..... lunch **at the** moment.
- 17 We didn't know ....**for**..... certain whether they would come or not.
- 18 Think of a number. Now multiply it .....**by**..... seven.
- 19 Do sit down. Mr Brown will join you **in**..... a moment.
- 20 The attendance ....**at**..... Saturday's meeting was very poor.

# 12

## Prepositions after adjectives 1

Complete the sentences below with one of the following adjectives plus a preposition.

addicted	bad	eligible	involved
adequate	capable	expert	jealous
angry	disqualified	full	notorious
aware	distracted	inspired	sympathetic

- 1 Do you think politicians are ..... telling lies? **capable of**
- 2 Don't ask me to add up the bill. I'm really **bad at** ..... mathematics.
- 3 This piece of music was **inspired by** Beethoven's Moonlight Sonata.
- 4 The flat wasn't very big, but it was perfectly **adequate to** ..... our needs.
- 5 Never become ..... cigarettes! **addicted to**
- 6 Although he wouldn't admit it, everyone could see that he was **jealous of** ..... his wife's success.
- 7 He was ..... the race for taking drugs. **disqualified from**
- 8 My neighbour is **expert at** ..... pruning fruit trees.
- 9 "Who else was **involved in** ..... the crime?" the policeman asked the suspect.
- 10 He was nearly sixteen before he first became **aware of** the opposite sex.
- 11 He tried to work but was ..... the noise from the traffic. **distracted by**
- 12 Life is **full of** ..... surprises, isn't it?
- 13 Pop groups are ..... smashing up hotel rooms. **notorious for**
- 14 The teacher was **angry with** ..... her students for not doing their homework.
- 15 Although they said they were ..... our cause, they were not prepared to support us officially. **sympathetic to**
- 16 Only unmarried women are ..... membership. **eligible for**

# 14 Rewrite the sentences 1

For each of the sentences below, write a new sentence as similar as possible in meaning to the original sentence using the word in **CAPITAL LETTERS**  
We have given you the first word(s) of the new sentence

**Example:** My father has always liked football. **INTERESTED.**

My father has always been interested in football.

- 1 Everyone has heard about the leaning tower of Pisa. **FAMOUS**  
Pisa **is famous for its leaning tower.**
- 2 This passport can be used in most countries. **VALID**  
This **passport is valid for most countries.**
- 3 They didn't tell anyone they were getting married. **SECRET**  
They **got married in secret.**
- 4 Are you and Jennifer related? **RELATIVE**  
Is **Jennifer a relative of yours?**
- 5 Do you want a drink? **CARE**  
Would **you care for a drink?**
- 6 I lent my cousin £5. **BORROWED**  
My cousin **borrowed \$5 from me.**
- 7 A car crashed into a bus this morning. **COLLIDED**  
A car **collided with a bus this morning.**
- 8 We didn't think she would pass the exam. **DOUBTFUL**  
We **were doubtful about her chances of passing the exam.**
- 9 He found it hard to open the window. **DIFFICULTY**  
He **had difficulty in opening the window.**
- 10 Pay no attention to what she says. **NOTICE**  
Take **no notice of what she says.**
- 11 The painting is worth £25,000. **VALUED**  
The **painting is valued at.**
- 12 She doesn't find her present job very interesting. **BORED**  
She **is bored with her present job.**

## KEY

1. Jake took out **a** bottle of beer from **the** fridge.
2. Emma looked at **the/ a** letter she received from **the/a** company she wanted to join.
3. She is on **a** diet, so she ordered **a** low-calorie meal.
4. We are planning on having **the** wedding in --- early fall, probably in --- September.
5. The plane was climbing up through **the** sky.
6. Winston Churchill was **a/the** Prime Minister who led England during --- World War II
7. Our father ruled our family with **an** iron fist.
8. --- Marmalade is usually made from --- oranges.
9. She is currently driving at **an** enormous speed.
10. The TV show portrays the lives of **the** Royal Family.
11. She gave us **an** umbrella because it started to rain.
12. Carol's father works as **an** electrician.
13. We left Rome and flew across **the** Alps to Munich.
14. Most --- children like --- sweets.
15. Have you got **an** idea about how we can solve **the** problem?
16. Our friends, the Millers, moved to **the** Netherlands last winter.
17. Our children go to --- school by --- bus.
18. She likes --- Indian tea but she doesn't like **the** tea that comes from Sri Lanka.
19. The two countries reached --- peace after **a** long, disastrous war.
20. We needed **a** place to live whenever we were in London.
21. Over 20 people were buried by **an** avalanche last weekend.
22. She had laughing eyes and **a** very charming expression on her face.
23. We need to be at **the** airport in just over **an** hour.
24. --- Milk is rich in --- nutrients.
25. Some people say --- money is **the** most important thing in --- life.