

LEVEL III PREPOSITION COMBINATIONS

Note: Preposition combinations are also called phrasal verbs.

FOR THE MIDTERM

Figurative / Mental States

1. (be) devoted to: to give oneself completely to something or someone
I don't think people should get married unless they **are** completely **devoted to** one another.
Joe decided to become a priest and **be devoted to** the church.
2. (be) discriminated against: to make distinctions in treatment or feelings; to show prejudice
Unfortunately, disabled people are often **discriminated against**.
The Ku Klux Klan **discriminates against** people of African descent.
3. (be) faithful to: to have loyalty to someone or something
My husband **is faithful to** me. He would never have an affair.
No matter how hard I try, I can never **be faithful to** a diet. After three days, I have to have some ice cream.
4. (be) familiar with: to have general knowledge or experience with something or someone
Are you familiar with the political history of China?
Could you repeat the directions? I **am** not **familiar with** that part of town.
5. (be) guilty of: to have done something wrong
Susan got her license taken away because she **was** found **guilty of** drunk driving.
Do you think he **is** really **guilty of** murder?
6. (be) innocent of: to be guiltless or harmless of something
The accused man promised that he **was innocent of** robbing the bank.
How many times do I have to tell you? I **am innocent of** that crime.
7. (be) involved in: to have an interest in or connection with someone or something
Before I went to college, my father warned me not **to be involved in** any strange groups.
Luke is frustrated because his mother-in-law tries **to be involved in** his life all the time.
8. (be) known for: generally recognized for something
Michael Jackson **was known for** his dancing and his white glove.
Holly doesn't want **to be known** only **for** her good looks – she wants **to be known for** for her intelligence, too!

9. (be) opposed to: to have contrary feelings for someone or something
I **am opposed to** anyone having plastic surgery.
Justin's father **was opposed to** his moving to Los Angeles.
10. (be) patient with: to have the ability to bear long waiting or unpleasant circumstances without complaining
Jane **is** always very **patient with** her children and never yells, even though they are very wild.
Please **be patient with** us. The doctor will see you in just a few minutes.
11. (be) relevant to: to connect with the subject
A lot of the information in the third paragraph has nothing to do with the thesis. You should remove any of the material that **is not relevant to** the topic.
His nationality **is not relevant to** whether or not he is a good doctor.
12. (be) remembered for: to be kept in the memory of others for some reason
Simon Bolivar **is remembered for** founding Gran Colombia.
Before my grandfather died, he told me he would like to **be remembered for** his honesty and hard-working nature.
13. (be) responsible for: to have the duty to look after someone or something
All students at Fulbright **are responsible for** practicing English outside of class.
Who **was responsible for** breaking the lamp?
14. (be) used to: to be accustomed to someone or something
Since Juan started taking classes at the Fulbright Commission, he **has been used to** waking up at 5:30 AM every day.
Even though Maggie has been living in Ecuador for a year, she doesn't think she will ever **be used to** greeting strangers with a kiss.

FOR THE FINAL

Active / Physical States

THOSE ASSOCIATED WITH OBJECTS

1. (be) cluttered with: untidy and filled with many objects
What a mess! This room **is cluttered with** dirty dishes and old newspapers.
Even though Max tries to keep his desk clean, it always ends up **being cluttered with** papers and books.

2. (be) composed of: made up of; formed of
Everyone knows that water **is composed of** two hydrogen atoms and one oxygen atom.
This class **is composed of** people with different beliefs and backgrounds.
3. (be) crowded with: completely full of (usually referring to people)
At 6 PM every night, the EcoVia **is crowded with** people going home from work.
The stadium **was crowded with** thousands of crazy soccer fans last Sunday.
4. (be) equipped with: to be provided with something
The disc jockey **was equipped with** two turn tables and a microphone.
My new car **is equipped with** air conditioning, automatic locks, and GPS.
5. (be) furnished with: to contain furniture
All apartments in the U.S. **are furnished with** a couch and a love-seat.
The apartment we rented **is furnished with** everything we need to be comfortable.
6. (be) made of, from: formed of, composed of
My dining room table **is made of** wood.
Sara's new dress **is made from** Chinese silk.

THOSE ASSOCIATED WITH LIVING BEINGS AND THINGS

1. (be) associated with: joined as friends, business partners, or similar ideas, concepts, or items
In my mind, the smell of candles burning **is associated with** birthday parties.
I don't want to **be associated with** anyone who is involved in drugs.
2. (be) coordinated with: to work together (people or things)
My father's schedule at work has to **be coordinated with** my little sister's schedule at school.
As the manager, I need to **be coordinated with** all the employees in the office.
3. (be) connected to: to be joined or related
That pipe over there **is connected to** the kitchen sink.
Sam never has problems finding someone to help him because he **is very connected to** important people.
4. (be) exposed to: to be uncovered or unprotected; to be taught something or for something to be revealed
The paint on the house has faded because it **has been exposed to** the wind, rain, and sun for so many years.
Valerie's trip to India **exposed her to** the reality of poverty in the world.

5. (be) filled with: to make or become full of something

Ever since I got married, I have **been** so **filled with** happiness!
My favorite kind of doughnut is the kind that **is filled with** jelly.

6. (be) limited to: small in amount; unable to increase

Barry explained that he **is limited to** working part time this month because he is studying for the GREs.
The class size has **been limited to** only 10 students to encourage participation.

7. (be) related to: to be connected to the same family or kind; to have relevance to a topic

Is Alex your cousin? I didn't know you **were related to** each other.
Jim's getting fired **is related to** his never coming to work on time.

8. (be) absent from: not present

I was sick yesterday, so I **was absent from** class.
Students who **are absent from** class more than six times will fail the level.

9. (be) addicted: to be dependent upon; to physically or mentally need something

People who **are addicted to** drugs go through withdrawal when they try to stop.
Julia eats chocolate so much, sometimes I think she **is addicted to** it.