Dependent Prepositions - worksheet

**adjective + preposition**

1. Many people are not aware \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the amount of salt in ready-made meals.
2. Many children are not capable \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ understanding that what they are watching is an advert designed to make them buy.
3. There is a lot of pollution in cities due \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the traffic.
4. A new government scheme devoted \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ increasing literacy in developing countries would be a better way to help than charity donations.
5. We were particularly dissatisfied \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the food in the hotel.
6. Older people are rarely familiar \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ new technology.
7. I’m fed up \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ having to travel so far to work every day.
8. I’m so hooked \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the new series that I binged on the first 10 episodes this weekend.
9. Learning to play in a group is imperative \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the development of children’s social skills.
10. Local people are rarely interested \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ learning about the history of their region.
11. The government is definitely responsible \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the care of the elderly.
12. Parents should be more vigilant \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ their children’s diet to ensure that they don’t become overweight.
13. The UK is well known \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ its education system.
14. Sarah is totally bored \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ her job.
15. That is just typical \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Luca, he is always making a mess in the kitchen.

**verb + preposition**

1. I am writing to apologize \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the noise coming from my apartment last Friday evening, which I am sure disturbed you.
2. Many consumers find it hard to ask \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ a refund even if the product is faulty or not fit for purpose.
3. A number of factors contribute \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ climate warming, including car emissions and methane from cattle.
4. A lot of small shops depend \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ people walking past their storefront to gain customers.
5. Aggressive advertising techniques can actually deter some customers \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ buying a product or service.
6. If we don’t address the problem of deforestation soon, some species will disappear \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the world forever.
7. The main problem with plastic bags is that people don’t dispose \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ them properly, so they litter the streets.
8. I don’t believe that community service should be incorporated \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ school curriculums for two reasons.
9. If companies invested more money \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ staff training, they could improve their customer service and, in turn, their profit.
10. Consumerism plays a role \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the amount of rubbish that is generated today.
11. I would be very grateful if you could provide me \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ more information about the courses that your college offers.
12. Too many young people today have to rely \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ help from their parents to be able to afford to attend university.
13. Insisting that teenagers have to stay inside every evening could result \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ them becoming resentful of authority.
14. If you live in a tidy home, it can make it much easier to search \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the items that you need.
15. Having so much product choice often means that consumers spend money \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ goods that they don’t need.
16. Governments have already succeeded \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ reducing the number of people who can smoke, so why can’t they do the same for obesity levels?

**noun + preposition**

1. The increase in cars on the road means that the demand \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ fossil fuels has also increased.
2. There is a definite difference \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ volunteering for community service and being forced to participate.
3. I am writing to express my disappointment \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the service that we received in your restaurant last week.
4. There is no hope \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ addressing the issue of hunger until food is distributed more evenly around the world.
5. Having a fixed punishment for each crime could have a massive impact \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the crime rate, as it will act as a deterrent.
6. There has been a large increase \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the number of people travelling abroad in recent years.
7. The invention of the Internet has had an impact \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ almost every area of life.
8. The key \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ lowering the crime rate is reducing poverty. to A key factor \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ being a good parent is learning how to control your own emotions.
9. Open-plan offices almost always suffer from a lack \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ privacy.
10. There is a definite need \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ well-integrated public transport systems in major cities.
11. There is no point \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ inviting John – I know that he is on holiday this week.
12. High ticket costs can prevent local people \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ going to historic sites.
13. There are a number of reasons \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the poor behavior in schools today.
14. One solution \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ unemployment in rural areas is encouraging large companies to move their head offices to country towns.
15. The best way \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ encourage people to exercise is to provide free public gyms and swimming pools.