EXERCISES ON PREPOSITION

Complete the following sentences with proper prepositions:

1. We’ll buy a smaller house when the children have grown_____and left home.
2. The computer isn’t working. It broke___this morning.
3. My headaches have been much better since I gave_drinking coffee.
4. I turned____their offer because they weren’t going to pay me enough money.
5. It was not a problem. We looked__his number in the telephone book.
6. Helen takes_____her mother in many ways.
7. We need to set____early tomorrow.
8. The plane took____very quickly.
10. Your friend is always complaining___her job.
11. If there was a technical failure, Gagarin might never get___to the Earth.
12. Courses like shoemaking or glass engraving provide people____practical skills they can do with their hands.
13. She is famous________________her beautiful face and sweet voice.
14. We are all aware________________the importance of the environment protection.
15. His opinion is different________mine.
16. If you don’t pay attention________the teacher, you won’t understand the lesson.
17. I’m not familiar______________his name, but his face seems familiar ___me.
18. We were very grateful________our friends for all of their assistance.
19. No one knew precisely what would happen__a human being in space.
20. How would the mind deal________the psychological tension?
21. I’m good________________English, but I’m bad___Mathematics.
22. Mrs. Brown is often worried______money.
23. Her parents are very pleased with her French.
24. I’m not interested in politics.
25. I’m bit short of money. Can you lend me some?
26. I was delighted with the present you gave me.
27. She was sad because he was very rude to her.
28. She was very angry with Tom.
29. Fred is capable of doing better work than he is doing at present.
30. You get bored with doing the same thing every day.
31. Thank you. It was very kind of you to help me.
32. Mr. Green is responsible for hiring employees.
33. There’s really no need for you to be afraid of the examination.
34. Ken was proud of his good marks on the English.
35. My plan is similar to yours, but it is different from Ken’s.
36. Pierre said he had become quite fond of American hamburgers.
37. That fashion magazine is full of advertising for women’s clothes.
38. Thin gloves aren’t very suitable for that kind of work.
39. They were happy with the results of the election.
40. Y. Gagarin lifted into space aboard the Vostok 1 at 9.07 a.m. Moscow time on 12th April, 1961.
41. If you want to lose weight, you must go on a diet.
42. You should learn by heart all the new words and try to use them in the context.
43. We have been learning English for five years.
44. Can you send it to me by fax?
45. She’s never satisfied with what she has got.
46. She wanted to borrow some books from him but she was shy about asking.
47. They succeeded in escaping from the burning house.
48. I don’t approve of your smoking. I wish you would give up that habit.
49. Do you think we’ll find a solution to the problem?
50. I must try and look through my notes before the exam.
51. He admitted having opened the suitcase asking its owner.
52. Opening the parcel, he was surprised what he saw.
53. She insisted him wearing the red tie.
54. The teacher tried to explain the new formula his students.
55. The English contest organized our teachers is an annual event in my school.
56. The participants must find all the answers in order to go in the next round.
57. Are you excited going on holiday next week?
58. She said to me “why don’t you relax a while?”
59. the end of the film, the heroine was reunited with her family.
60. On behalf our group, he made a speech at the meeting.
61. Have you washed your hands having lunch.
62. He was accused having stolen a car.
63. Thank you very much inviting me to your party.
64. We could not play soccer due the bad weather.
65. If you don’t want to watch TV. Turn it please.
66. He is retired. He lives his pension.
67. He’s getting bored learning heart.
68. The bomb went killing several by-standers.
69. They cancelled the flight because the storm.
70. The local people are very hospitable strangers.
71. Why were you absent class this morning?
72. In English lessons we always speak English.
73. When I bought the house, my sister helped me with a loan.
74. Your father is very kind David.
75. Your plan is similar his.
76. She is accustomed getting up early.
77. This area is rich oil.
78. Are you acquainted this man?
79. It was very nice him to give me a lift.
80. Smoking is harmful our health.
81. Mary always take good care of her children.
82. Our study is very important for our future and useful for our country.
83. Why don't you ask for a pay increase?
84. Don't shout at the child when he makes a mistake.
85. Ken prefers Chinese food to French food.
86. How long have they been working for the company?
87. He wore a hat, which made him look like a spy.
88. I think your mother should let you make your own mind.
89. The pens made of plastic are very cheap.
90. Many of the stories are based on rumor.
91. Was your friend successful in getting a loan from the bank?
92. If you look at the book, you can find what you need.
93. You should make use of the books you have.
94. She was very upset about the news of her father’s death.
95. How would the body react to the extreme changes in temperature?
96. We congratulate you on your successful flight.
97. The American people shared their satisfaction for the safe flight.
98. Most of the streets were named after national heroes.
99. China became the third country in the world to be able to independently carry out manned space flights.
100. He was in orbit around the Earth at a speed of more than 17,000 miles per hour.
KEY

1. up 21. at/at 41. on 61. before 81. of
2. down 22. about 42. by 62. of 82. for/ for
3. up 23. with 43. for 63. for . of 83. for
4. down 24. in 44. by 64. to 84. at
5. up 25. of 45. with 65. off 85. to
6. after 26. with 46. from/ of 66. on 86. for
7. off 27. to 47. in / from 67. with/by 87. like
8. off 28. with 48. of 68. off 88. up
9. for 29. of 49. to 69. of 89. of
10. about 30. with 50. through 70. to 90. on
11. back 31. of 51. without 71. from 91. in
12. with 32. for 52. at 72. in 92. through
13. for 33. of 53. on 73. out 93. of
14. of 34. of 54. to 74. to 94. about
15. from 35. to 55. for 75. to 95. to
16. to 36. of 56. out 76. to 96. on
17. with 37. of 57. about 77. in 97. with
18. to 38. for 58. for 78. with 98. after
19. to 39. with 59. at 79. of 99. out
20. with 40. off / at / on 60. of 80. to 100. at