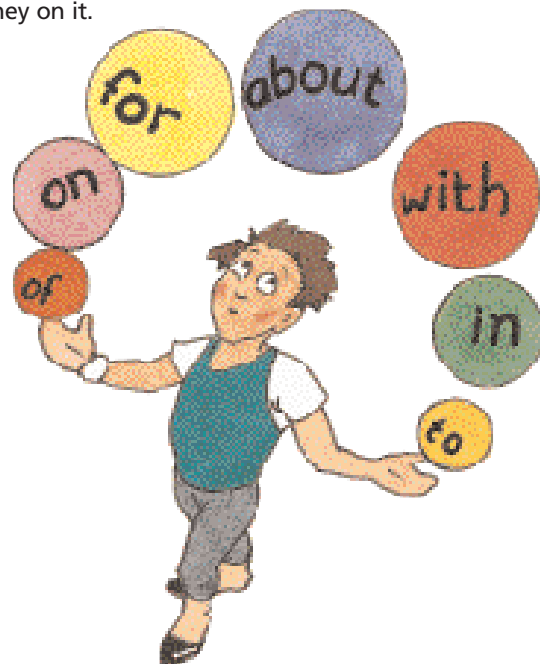


### 1 Prepositions, infinitive or -ing-form

Fill the boxes with a preposition and write the verb in brackets on the lines. Use either the infinitive or the -ing-form and these prepositions:  
*about, for, in, of, on (2x), to (3x), with*

According (1) ..... psychologists, the behaviour of women, (2) ..... which the fashion industry depends, is actually a product of their desire (3, *appear*) ..... ahead of the time. (4, *wear*) ..... new colours is a way (5, *demonstrate*) ..... that you are innovative. The fashion business is (6, *change*) ..... colour, length and cut each season. Women should never get bored (7, *wear*) ..... the same style for a long time. For a woman it is very important (8, *dress*) ..... well. Of course, a number of them usually look (9) ..... a dress that they feel comfortable (10) ..... and that they know they will carry (11, *wear*) ..... for more than one season. They therefore don't mind (12, *spend*) ..... a lot of money on it.



### 2 Progressive or simple form

Put the verbs in brackets into the right tense. Use the progressive form if necessary.

- By the time he arrived, she (*wait*) .....  
..... for more than an hour.
- As technology develops, the job market (*seem to get*) .....  
more and more interesting.
- The lorry driver looked extremely tired.  
He (*must / drive*) .....  
for hours!
- Look, I (*be*) .....  
shopping. I (*spend*) .....  
more than 100 pounds.
- The passengers (*check in*) .....  
..... when suddenly the alarm went off.
- Police (*still / search*) .....  
for the missing child.
- Would you like to visit me tomorrow at eight?  
I (*give*) ..... a party  
for all my friends.
- I (*think*) ..... about  
moving to Australia for quite some time, but I  
can't decide.
- When I last saw her she (*still / live*) .....  
..... with her parents.
- Jane (*might / eat*) .....  
too much, because she didn't feel well last night.
- Next year we (*live*) .....  
in our house for ten years.
- People (*constantly / complain*) .....  
..... about the pollution, but  
so far they (*change*) .....  
their habits.

### 3 Progressive or simple form

Fill the blank spaces with the following verbs, using the progressive or the simple form of the past and past perfect.

*announce, be, become, begin, expand, feel, move, wear, write*

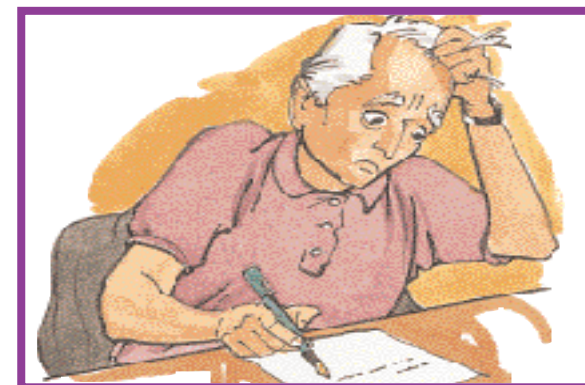
As the first autumn and winter collections

- (1) ..... to arrive in boutiques and department stores last year, fashion editors  
(2, *already*) .....  
about the delights of the new 'in' colour. Black  
(3) ..... the choice of many women  
since the early 1990s. And now, almost overnight,  
brown (4) ..... into vogue.  
Everybody (5) ..... brown. But by  
the time a number of women (6) .....  
courageous enough to wear brown and  
(7) ..... their wardrobes, the  
fashion world (8, *already*) .....  
..... its next colour. Grey was the new brown.  
Fashion (9, *simply*) ..... on.

### 4 Creative writing

Read this advert which really appeared in a newspaper. What would you answer this person? Write a short letter. In case you are interested in the authentic answer, turn to the key on page 73.

**Help!**  
I am desperate. I have no symptoms of any kind; I take no pills or any other medicine. I sleep like a baby. I have never felt the need to follow any regimen of diet or exercise. I am disgustingly healthy. So I have nothing to contribute to general conversation and I feel a social outcast. At the age of 72, something must be seriously wrong. What should I do? JAC, Hamstead



## Checkpoint

Write your answer on a separate piece of paper if necessary.

- Translate: He seems to be working hard.  
He seemed to be working hard.  
He seemed to have been working hard.
- Translate: The child appears to be dreaming.  
He appeared so kind.
- Write similar sentences like the example given, using the words listed: I didn't **want** him to **go**.  
1 expect / come, 2 mean / do it, 3 request / help, 4 advise / marry her, 5 encourage / leave.
- Write the questions to the sentences above, for example: *Did you want him to go?*
- Match the sentences with their meaning.  
1 ☐ She's always talking about her health.  
2 ☐ She always talks about her dog.  
3 ☐ She constantly watches her weight.  
4 ☐ She's constantly watching me.  
a) Regularly. b) She's getting onto my nerves.
- Add a preposition and put the verbs into the right form.  
1 I'm looking forward ..... (see) ..... you.  
2 Do you object ..... (go) ..... by bus?  
3 I'm used ..... (work) ..... late.  
4 He prefers (walk) .....  
(drive) .....  
7 Translate: I'm having tea.  
He's having great difficulties.  
8 Translate: 1 I was crossing the street when I saw him. I crossed the street when I saw him.  
2 They were having dinner when he came. They had dinner when he came.  
9 Correct these sentences:  
1 While I had a shower, he was phoning me.  
2 I stopped working as soon as he was coming.  
3 They were having a Fiat for ten years.  
4 Whenever she was calling, he was out.  
5 We are living here since 1990.  
6 By the time we are leaving, the sun will be shining.
- Match the sentences:  
1 ☐ I'm having my car checked.  
2 ☐ I have checked my car.  
3 ☐ He's repairing my TV.  
4 ☐ He's just had his TV repaired.  
a) Look, it works again.  
b) I'm afraid, it's not available at the moment.
- Translate the sentences above.
- Translate: 1 He could be travelling by bus today as it is raining. 2 We might be going on holiday next week.