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Prepositions

Level 3: ★ ★ ★

1. Each sentence has an incorrect preposition. Identify the mistake and correct it.

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| a) The match was cancelled for the heavy rain. | e) The book was written with J.K. Rowling. |
| b) She is responsible of the project. | f) The letter was signed with the principal. |
| c) He succeeded for his determination. | g) She stayed at home thanks of her illness. |
| d) The floor was cleaned by soap. | h) The news spread for the internet. |

2. Read the passage and fill in the blanks with appropriate prepositions, then explain your choice.

The campaign succeeded ___ (i) the hard work of volunteers. Many people joined ___ (ii) spreading awareness. The public responded positively ___ (iii) the appeal. The government passed a law ___ (iv) protect forests. However, some companies complained ___ (v) the strict rules. Activists were proud ___ (vi) their achievement. The law was signed ___ (vii) the President and announced ___ (viii) the media.

3. Read the passage. Identify incorrect prepositions and correct them.

The protest succeeded for the efforts of students.	a) _____
Many applied in a new permit. The news	b) _____
spread by television. Teachers insisted	c) _____
for strict rules. The principal congratulated	d) _____
students with their bravery. The town was	e) _____
proud to them. The discussion	f) _____
was at pollution increase. A	g) _____
solution of the problem was suggested.	h) _____

4. Answer using reasoning:

- Why do we say *responsible for* a task but *responsible to* a person?
- Why is it *famous for* singing but *famous as* a singer?

5. Change each sentence from *cause* to *purpose* (or vice versa) using correct prepositions.

- The event was cancelled **because of** the storm. (→ purpose)
- He worked hard **in order to** pass the exam. (→ cause)
- She cried **because of** hunger. (→ purpose)
- The law was made **for the sake of** the poor. (→ cause)
- The picnic was postponed **owing to** bad weather. (→ purpose)
- He studied late **to** impress his teacher. (→ cause)
- She missed school **due to** illness. (→ purpose)
- The speech was written **to** motivate the students. (→ cause)

6. Expand each sentence with a dependent preposition phrase:

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| a) He apologised. | e) She insisted. |
| b) She is good. | f) He is proud. |
| c) They applied. | g) They complained. |
| d) He is angry. | h) She succeeded. |