New EXERCISES

**Exercise 1. Complete the phrases in italics in these sentences with the correct prepositions.**

1. I don’t like it when people *ask…………………*my opinions.
2. I usually *hang out…………….*my friends at the weekends.
3. In our family, my mother was always *in charge……………….*making meals.
4. Helen has never been particularly *keen……………..*cooking.
5. My dad is always *experimenting……………*new combinations of spices.
6. My parents think it’s a waste to *spend too much money ………….*food.
7. Many of the world’s most famous recipes were *invented…………accident*.
8. My friend *learned Russian…………….scratch* in less than six months.
9. Do you *have any ideas…………….*suitable dishes?

**Exercise 2. Complete these sentences with the appropriate form of “come” and a word from this list**

Across, out, round (x2), up, up with

1. I rarely buy hardback books – they’re so expensive. I always wait till they………………….in paperback.
2. I ………………………this while I was cleaning out a cupboard the other day. Is it yours?
3. You won’t forget that Paula and Nick ………………………………..for dinner on Saturday, will you?
4. I can’t think what to buy Zoe for her birthday. If you………………………any good ideas, let me know.
5. When Jane heard the news, she fainted. When she………………………..she didn’t know where she was.
6. I’m afraid I’ll have to cancel the meeting. Something …………………………………at home.

**Exercise 3 - Use of English: For questions 1-6 complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the fist sentence, using the word given. Do not change the word given. You must use between two and five words, including the word given.**

1. It’s a pity you didn’t tell me earlier.

WISH

I………………………………………………………me earlier.

1. I would prefer you not to smoke, if you don’t mind.

RATHER

I……………………………………………………..smoke, if you don’t mind.

1. I’m not sorry I chose nursing as a career.

REGRET

I …………………………………………………….nursing as a career.

1. Some people have complained about the noise.

SEVERAL

There………………………………………………..about the noise.

1. Have you decided what you would like for dinner?

MIND

Have you ……………………………………….what you would like for dinner?

1. The plane left on time although the weather was bad.

TOOK

The plane…………………………………………….the bad weather.

EXERCISE 4 – Vocabulary

Complete the gap in these sentences with an appropriate verb in an appropriate form.

Make into, make out, make up, make up for, make up to sb

1. The compensation we received from the travel company only slightly…………………………………..our disastrous holiday.
2. I’m so sorry I forgot your birthday. I’ll………………..it………………….you, I promise!
3. Sam and Anna…………………their spare room…………………a study. We could do the same.
4. Why do doctors have such illegible handwriting? You can never …………………………………….what they have written.
5. Andy arrived late as usual. He …………………………………….some excuse about the train being late.