

Academic words with prepositions

Lesson plan

Topic: Academic Vocabulary revision & consolidation

Vocabulary: AWL Sublists 1-10

Grammar: corresponding prepositions with nouns, verbs, adjectives

This is a game for students to practise their understanding and knowledge of corresponding prepositions. The idea is that they try to get 4-in-a-row to win a point.

Procedure

1. Divide class into groups of fours
2. Give out one copy of the word grid to each group and 1 student the answers
3. Give an example on the board: *founded* ____ (*by/in*) / *compiled* ____ (*by*)/
4. Students take it in turns to guess one preposition and the answer is checked by the student with the answers – who only says ‘yes or no’ (if ‘no’ they don’t tell the answer – so another student can try)
5. If a correct answer is said, the student colours that square, and tries to get 4-in-a-row.
6. HARDER: students guess the preposition and then verbally make a sentence.

Important:

No order - they can choose any word anywhere in the grid.

Try to discourage *to+infinitive* forms.

Examples of four-in-a-row

research	exposure	response	modification
facilitation	derived	perceived	issue
object	compensation	priority	circumstances
policy	acquisition	expansion	focus
established	hypothesis	interpretation	published

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transition	consent	collapse	reliance
analysis	initiative	region	allocation
restricted	complexity	equivalent	investment
validity	technique	deduction	potential
aspects	framework	participation	inferred
contribution	transformation	series	evolution
imposed	convert	emphasis	distinction
attributed	theory	comprehension	promotion
adequate	comprise	foundation	communication
philosophy	cited	implementation	innovation
enforcement	flexibility	prohibition	exploitation
monitoring	substitution	incorporated	release
conformity	sufficient	diminished	presumption

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ANSWERS

research (in/into/ on)	exposure (to)	response (to)	modification (by)
facilitation (of)	derived (of)	perceived (by)	issue (of / on/ about)
object (to)	compensation (for)	priority (of / over)	circumstances (in)
policy (on)	acquisition (in)	expansion (on)	focus (on / of)
established (in / on)	hypothesis (for / in)	interpretation (of)	published (in / by)
t.. (in /from - to/ between)	consent (in/for/to)	collapse (of / on)	reliance (on)
analysis (of)	initiative (on / of)	region (of)	allocation (of)
restricted (in / by)	complexity (of / with)	equivalent (of / to)	investment (in)
validity (of)	technique (in / of)	deduction (in / of)	potential (of)
aspects (of)	framework (of / in)	participation (in)	inferred (by / from)
contribution (to /in)	transf..... (of /from - into)	series (of)	Evolut.. (of /from to)
imposed (on)	convert (to / into)	emphasis (on)	Disti.... (in/between)
attributed (to)	theory (of)	comprehension (of)	promotion (in /of)
adequate (to /in)	comprise (in /of)	foundation (in / of)	comm. (on / in / with)
philos..... (of / behind)	cited (in)	implementation (of)	innovation (of)
enforcement (of)	flexibility (in /of)	prohibition (of)	exploitation (of)
monitoring (of)	substitution (of / to)	incorporated (in)	release (of)
conformity (in)	sufficient (in)	diminished (by)	presumption (of)

*disclaimer – not all prepositions are included