

a	A represent	B work for	C stand for	D advocate
b	A issue	B matter	C subject	D point
c	A grounds	B reasons	C motives	D basis
d	A pass	B make	C prepare	D take
e	A starting	B launching	C opening	D initiating

THE IMPORTANCE OF PREPOSITIONS

As you work through this book you will see many prepositions. To help you notice and remember accurate prepositions in a legal context they have been put into a preposition bank for you. The symbol **m** means 'memorise'.

Preposition bank

- an attorney **at** law
'My daughter is an attorney **at** law in Atlanta.'
- to work **on** something
'I'm currently working **on** a merger agreement.'
- to send a cheque **for** an amount of money
'Please send a cheque **for** £2000.'
- subject **to** something
'The goods are for sale at this price subject **to** availability.'

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Exercise 1

Complete these sentences with a preposition that you saw in Unit 1A.

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| a The judge awarded my client £20,000 _____ damages. | d Stephen works for a law firm _____ Manhattan. |
| b Suing someone is a more informal way of saying starting proceedings _____ someone. | e When you are _____ dispute with someone you can start a claim in the civil court. |
| c A small claim is a claim _____ a maximum of £5000. | f Could I take a look _____ your employment contract? |

Exercise 2

Using the knowledge that you have about collocations and prepositions correct the language below.

'My name is Luigi and I am a lawyer (a) **at** Milan. I work (b) **into** a big law firm. Today I am very busy. I am (c) **writing** a contract (d) **to** a new client. This afternoon I am (e) **speaking for** a different client in court. It is a (f) **disrespect** of contract case. I think we will win the case because our (g) **reasons** are very strong.'

'My name is Luigi and I am a lawyer (a) _____ Milan. I work (b) _____ a big law firm. Today I am very busy. I am (c) _____ a contract (d) _____ a new client. This afternoon I am (e) _____ a different client in court. It is a (f) _____ of contract case. I think we will win the case because our (g) _____ are very strong.'