

Prepositions Exercises

Confusing Pairs of Prepositions

Use the prepositions and adverbs in brackets to complete the sentences

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| above | below | as | among | towards | opposite |
| over | under | like | between | away from | in front of |

1. Everybody on the staff is _____ suspicion. The chances are that even the boss might be the murderer.
2. He held a handkerchief _____ his face.
3. They discussed the matter _____ a cup of tea.
4. They all left the gambling house when the deal was _____.
5. Jack cannot drink in a pub because he's _____ age.
6. Our village is several metres _____ sea-level so it is frequently flooded.
7. When Charles went to Malaga he stayed in the same hotel _____ I did.
8. Tom behaves _____ a child when it comes to eating sweets.

9. There were such nice pullovers that it was really hard to choose _____ them.

10. We used to live in a little hut _____ trees.

11. I suddenly spotted a young boy standing _____ the two posts.

12. On realizing that his wife was still inside, the man started to run _____ the burning house.

13. The girl began to run to get _____ the angry cloud of bees.

14. In order not to get a deep suntan he preferred to sit _____ us.

15. When I saw her sitting by the lake I began walking _____ her.

16. She sat _____ me during the whole meeting, so I couldn't help looking at her face.

17. I used to have an irresistible habit of putting pins on the seats of students sitting _____ me in the class.