Adjectives and prepositions

Adjectives followed by -ing

Si después de **interested in**, **good at** o **tired of** va una acción, el verbo suele acabar en **-ing**: interested in drawing (interesado en dibujar).

Ejemplo resuelto / Worked example

He is interested **in** learning and accustomed **to** working late. / Le interesa aprender y está acostumbrado a trabajar hasta tarde.

Complete each gap with the correct preposition.

01. A Luis le interesa observar las estrellas desde que era niño.
Luis has been interested _____ watching the stars since he was a child.

02. A Luis le interesa aprender idiomas desde que era niño.
Luis has been interested _____ learning languages since he was a child.

03. A Luis le interesa cocinar platos nuevos desde que era niño.
Luis has been interested _____ cooking new dishes since he was a child.

04. A Luis le interesa conocer otras ciudades desde que era niño.
Luis has been interested _____ visiting other cities since he was a child.

05. A mi prima se le da muy bien resolver crucigramas.
My cousin is very good _____ solving crosswords.

06. A mi prima se le da muy bien hacer fotografías.
My cousin is very good _____ taking photographs.

07. A mi prima se le da muy bien contar historias.
My cousin is very good _____ telling stories.

08. A mi prima se le da muy bien organizar fiestas.
My cousin is very good _____ organising parties.

09. Estoy cansado de esperar y voy a descansar un rato.
I am tired _____ waiting and I am going to rest for a while.

10. Estoy cansado de hacer cola y voy a descansar un rato.
I am tired _____ standing in queues and I am going to rest for a while.

11. Estoy cansado de conducir y voy a descansar un rato.
I am tired _____ driving and I am going to rest for a while.

12. Estoy cansado de repetir lo mismo y voy a descansar un rato.
I am tired _____ repeating the same thing and I am going to rest for a while.

13. Nos hemos acostumbrado a salir a caminar después de cenar.
We have got used _____ going for a walk after dinner.

14. Nos hemos acostumbrado a hacer los deberes después de cenar.
We have got used _____ doing our homework after dinner.

15. Nos hemos acostumbrado a limpiar la cocina después de cenar.
We have got used _____ cleaning the kitchen after dinner.

16. Nos hemos acostumbrado a leer un rato después de cenar.
We have got used _____ reading for a while after dinner.

17. La familia no estaba de acuerdo con construir una carretera allí.
The family were opposed _____ building a road there.

18. La familia no estaba de acuerdo con cerrar la biblioteca.
The family were opposed _____ closing the library.

19. La familia no estaba de acuerdo con cambiar el horario.
The family were opposed _____ changing the timetable.

20. La familia no estaba de acuerdo con vender la casa.
The family were opposed _____ selling the house.

Preposition + -ing

Continue. Complete only the gap in English.

21. A Marta le encanta montar en bicicleta cuando tiene tiempo libre.
Marta is keen _____ cycling in her free time.

22. A Marta le encanta hacer senderismo cuando tiene tiempo libre.
Marta is keen _____ hiking in her free time.

23. A Marta le encanta aprender fotografía cuando tiene tiempo libre.
Marta is keen _____ learning photography in her free time.

24. A Marta le encanta jugar al tenis cuando tiene tiempo libre.
Marta is keen _____ playing tennis in her free time.

25. El museo se especializa en estudiar fósiles relacionados con la costa.
The museum specialises _____ studying fossils from the coast.

26. El museo se especializa en conservar objetos relacionados con la costa.
The museum specialises _____ preserving objects from the coast.

27. El museo se especializa en mostrar fotografías relacionados con la costa.
The museum specialises _____ displaying photographs from the coast.

28. El museo se especializa en investigar restos relacionados con la costa.
The museum specialises _____ researching remains from the coast.

29. El bebé depende de sus padres para todo.
The baby is dependent _____ its parents for everything.

30. El bebé depende de la persona que lo cuida para todo.
The baby is dependent _____ its carer for everything.

31. El bebé depende de su familia para todo.
The baby is dependent _____ its family for everything.

32. El bebé depende de los adultos para todo.
The baby is dependent _____ adults for everything.

33. Me opongo a cerrar la sala de lectura porque reduciría el horario de la biblioteca.
I am opposed _____ closing the reading room because it would reduce the library's opening hours.

34. Me opongo a cambiar las normas porque reduciría el horario de la biblioteca.
I am opposed _____ changing the rules because it would reduce the library's opening hours.

35. Me opongo a eliminar el club infantil porque reduciría el horario de la biblioteca.
I am opposed _____ removing the children's club because it would reduce the library's opening hours.

36. Me opongo a subir las cuotas porque reduciría el horario de la biblioteca.
I am opposed _____ increasing the fees because it would reduce the library's opening hours.

37. A Sam le da miedo cruzar el puente aunque sabe que es seguro.
Sam is afraid _____ crossing the bridge even though he knows it is safe.

38. A Sam le da miedo nadar en la piscina aunque sabe que es seguro.
Sam is afraid _____ swimming in the pool even though he knows it is safe.

39. A Sam le da miedo subir al ascensor aunque sabe que es seguro.
Sam is afraid _____ taking the lift even though he knows it is safe.

40. A Sam le da miedo hablar en público aunque sabe que es seguro.
Sam is afraid _____ speaking in public even though he knows it is safe.

Answer key

Complete sentences. The adjective preposition is shown in bold.

01. Luis has been interested **in** watching the stars since he was a child.
02. Luis has been interested **in** learning languages since he was a child.
03. Luis has been interested **in** cooking new dishes since he was a child.
04. Luis has been interested **in** visiting other cities since he was a child.
05. My cousin is very good **at** solving crosswords.
06. My cousin is very good **at** taking photographs.
07. My cousin is very good **at** telling stories.
08. My cousin is very good **at** organising parties.
09. I am tired **of** waiting and I am going to rest for a while.
10. I am tired **of** standing in queues and I am going to rest for a while.
11. I am tired **of** driving and I am going to rest for a while.
12. I am tired **of** repeating the same thing and I am going to rest for a while.
13. We have got used **to** going for a walk after dinner.
14. We have got used **to** doing our homework after dinner.
15. We have got used **to** cleaning the kitchen after dinner.
16. We have got used **to** reading for a while after dinner.
17. The family were opposed **to** building a road there.
18. The family were opposed **to** closing the library.
19. The family were opposed **to** changing the timetable.
20. The family were opposed **to** selling the house.
21. Marta is keen **on** cycling in her free time.
22. Marta is keen **on** hiking in her free time.
23. Marta is keen **on** learning photography in her free time.
24. Marta is keen **on** playing tennis in her free time.
25. The museum specialises **in** studying fossils from the coast.
26. The museum specialises **in** preserving objects from the coast.
27. The museum specialises **in** displaying photographs from the coast.
28. The museum specialises **in** researching remains from the coast.
29. The baby is dependent **on** its parents for everything.
30. The baby is dependent **on** its carer for everything.
31. The baby is dependent **on** its family for everything.
32. The baby is dependent **on** adults for everything.
33. I am opposed **to** closing the reading room because it would reduce the library’s opening hours.
34. I am opposed **to** changing the rules because it would reduce the library’s opening hours.
35. I am opposed **to** removing the children’s club because it would reduce the library’s opening hours.
36. I am opposed **to** increasing the fees because it would reduce the library’s opening hours.
37. Sam is afraid **of** crossing the bridge even though he knows it is safe.
38. Sam is afraid **of** swimming in the pool even though he knows it is safe.
39. Sam is afraid **of** taking the lift even though he knows it is safe.
40. Sam is afraid **of** speaking in public even though he knows it is safe.