Verbs and prepositions

Verb + object + preposition

En algunas frases, primero decimos a quién afecta la acción y después la palabra pequeña: **provide her with a certificate** (darle un certificado).

Ejemplo resuelto / Worked example

They congratulated her **on** her success and provided her **with** a certificate. / La felicitaron por su éxito y le dieron un certificado.

Complete the gap with the preposition after the object.

01. No culpes a tu hermano por el retraso.
Do not blame your brother _____ the delay.

02. No culpes a tu hermano por el error.
Do not blame your brother _____ the mistake.

03. No culpes a tu hermano por la confusión.
Do not blame your brother _____ the confusion.

04. No culpes a tu hermano por perder las llaves.
Do not blame your brother _____ losing the keys.

05. No culpes a tu hermano por la decisión del equipo.
Do not blame your brother _____ the team’s decision.

06. La policía acusó al conductor de conducir demasiado rápido.
The police accused the driver _____ driving too fast.

07. La policía acusó al conductor de dañar la barrera.
The police accused the driver _____ damaging the barrier.

08. La policía acusó al conductor de abandonar el lugar.
The police accused the driver _____ leaving the scene.

09. La policía acusó al conductor de conducir sin seguro.
The police accused the driver _____ driving without insurance.

10. La policía acusó al conductor de causar el accidente.
The police accused the driver _____ causing the accident.

11. Todos felicitaron a Mei por su ascenso.
Everyone congratulated Mei _____ her promotion.

12. Todos felicitaron a Mei por ganar el concurso.
Everyone congratulated Mei _____ winning the competition.

13. Todos felicitaron a Mei por aprobar el examen.
Everyone congratulated Mei _____ passing the exam.

14. Todos felicitaron a Mei por su nuevo trabajo.
Everyone congratulated Mei _____ her new job.

15. Todos felicitaron a Mei por terminar el proyecto.
Everyone congratulated Mei _____ finishing the project.

16. El centro nos proporcionó mapas gratuitos.
The centre provided us _____ free maps.

17. El centro nos proporcionó una sala de reuniones.
The centre provided us _____ a meeting room.

18. El centro nos proporcionó todo el material necesario.
The centre provided us _____ all the necessary materials.

19. El centro nos proporcionó información actualizada.
The centre provided us _____ up-to-date information.

20. El centro nos proporcionó bebidas calientes.
The centre provided us _____ hot drinks.

Object + preposition

Continue. Complete only the gap in English.

21. La nueva norma impide a los coches entrar en la zona peatonal.
The new rule prevents cars _____ entering the pedestrian area.

22. La nueva norma impide a los coches aparcar frente a la salida.
The new rule prevents cars _____ parking in front of the exit.

23. La nueva norma impide a los coches bloquear el carril bici.
The new rule prevents cars _____ blocking the cycle lane.

24. La nueva norma impide a los coches circular por esta calle.
The new rule prevents cars _____ using this street.

25. La nueva norma impide a los coches acercarse a la escuela.
The new rule prevents cars _____ coming near the school.

26. La canción me recuerda a un viaje por Irlanda.
The song reminds me _____ a trip around Ireland.

27. La canción me recuerda a mi primer concierto.
The song reminds me _____ my first concert.

28. La canción me recuerda a las tardes en casa de mi abuela.
The song reminds me _____ afternoons at my grandmother’s house.

29. La canción me recuerda a una película antigua.
The song reminds me _____ an old film.

30. La canción me recuerda a aquel verano en que nos conocimos.
The song reminds me _____ the summer we met.

31. El ayuntamiento nos cobró la licencia.
The town council charged us _____ the permit.

32. El ayuntamiento nos cobró la reparación.
The town council charged us _____ the repair.

33. El ayuntamiento nos cobró el uso de la sala.
The town council charged us _____ using the room.

34. El ayuntamiento nos cobró el aparcamiento.
The town council charged us _____ parking.

35. El ayuntamiento nos cobró la recogida especial.
The town council charged us _____ the special collection.

36. La organización invitó a varios expertos a la conferencia.
The organisation invited several experts _____ the conference.

37. La organización invitó a varios expertos a una reunión informativa.
The organisation invited several experts _____ an information meeting.

38. La organización invitó a varios expertos a la inauguración.
The organisation invited several experts _____ the opening.

39. La organización invitó a varios expertos a la presentación del informe.
The organisation invited several experts _____ the presentation of the report.

40. La organización invitó a varios expertos a la ceremonia de apertura.
The organisation invited several experts _____ the opening ceremony.

Answer key

Complete sentences. The verb preposition is shown in bold; (no preposition) marks direct-object patterns.

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02. Do not blame your brother **for** the mistake.
03. Do not blame your brother **for** the confusion.
04. Do not blame your brother **for** losing the keys.
05. Do not blame your brother **for** the team’s decision.
06. The police accused the driver **of** driving too fast.
07. The police accused the driver **of** damaging the barrier.
08. The police accused the driver **of** leaving the scene.
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10. The police accused the driver **of** causing the accident.
11. Everyone congratulated Mei **on** her promotion.
12. Everyone congratulated Mei **on** winning the competition.
13. Everyone congratulated Mei **on** passing the exam.
14. Everyone congratulated Mei **on** her new job.
15. Everyone congratulated Mei **on** finishing the project.
16. The centre provided us **with** free maps.
17. The centre provided us **with** a meeting room.
18. The centre provided us **with** all the necessary materials.
19. The centre provided us **with** up-to-date information.
20. The centre provided us **with** hot drinks.
21. The new rule prevents cars **from** entering the pedestrian area.
22. The new rule prevents cars **from** parking in front of the exit.
23. The new rule prevents cars **from** blocking the cycle lane.
24. The new rule prevents cars **from** using this street.
25. The new rule prevents cars **from** coming near the school.
26. The song reminds me **of** a trip around Ireland.
27. The song reminds me **of** my first concert.
28. The song reminds me **of** afternoons at my grandmother’s house.
29. The song reminds me **of** an old film.
30. The song reminds me **of** the summer we met.
31. The town council charged us **for** the permit.
32. The town council charged us **for** the repair.
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34. The town council charged us **for** parking.
35. The town council charged us **for** the special collection.
36. The organisation invited several experts **to** the conference.
37. The organisation invited several experts **to** an information meeting.
38. The organisation invited several experts **to** the opening.
39. The organisation invited several experts **to** the presentation of the report.
40. The organisation invited several experts **to** the opening ceremony.