PHRASAL PREPOSITIONS

Prepositions may consist of two or three parts.

1. Two parts- because of, along with, according to, apart from, owing to, as for, short of, instead of, ahead of, regardless of, contrary to, prior to, subject to.

2. Three parts- by way of, in spite of, with (or in) regard to, in addition to, in (the) back of (or at the back of), by means of, for fear of, for the sake of, on account of, on behalf of, as a result of, in return for, in accordance with, with (or in) reference to, in favor of, in connection with, as well as, on the point of.

A. Supply the missing parts of the phrasal prepositions.

1. The train arrived ahead _________________ schedule.

2. Instead _______________ listening to his parents, he did just as he pleased.

3. Regardless _______________ the consequences, he went ahead with his foolhardy plan.

4. According _________________ the newspapers, the President will arrive next week.

5. I don't know what decisions others may make, but _________________ me, give me liberty or give as me death.

6. Owing ______________ a mistake made by the computer, he received a check for one million dollars.

7. The prices quoted are subject _________________ change without notice.

8. Prior _________________ his marriage, he had spent money very foolishly.

9. We're very short _________________ paper: please order some more immediately.

10. Contrary _________________ expectations, the young boy did very well on the examinations.

11. Apart _________________ his parents, no one knew that he was planning to leave the country.

12. They were just _______________ the point _________________ leaving the house when some unexpected visitors arrived.

13. He became paralyzed _______________ a result _________________ a stroke he had had recently.

14. _______________ accordance _________________ your request, we are canceling your magazine subscription.

15. All the campaign workers were given handsome gifts _______________ return _________________ their help.

16. The students sitting _______________ the back _______________ the room could barely hear the professor.

17. _______________ behalf _______________ the citizens of his town, the mayor gave his distinguished visitor the keys to the city.

18. _______________ the sake _______________ peace in the family, she never argued with her husband.

19. Many problems have arisen _______________ connection _________________ of the construction of the new library.