

appeal to  
 adjust to  
 belong to  
 cater to  
 choose from  
 choose between  
 concentrate on  
 consist of  
 compete with  
 complain about  
 cope with  
 correspond with  
 decide on  
 dedicate to  
 disapprove of  
 derive from  
 elaborate on  
 exclude from  
 experiment on  
 face with  
 feel like *doing something*  
 feel about *something*  
 forget about  
 forget to  
 fight with  
 fight about  
 hear of/about  
 hide from  
 insist on  
 joke about  
 long for  
 mistake for something/someone  
 object to  
 operate on  
 react to  
 react against  
 rely on  
 reply to  
 result in  
 see to  
 save for  
 succeed in  
 subject to  
 subject on  
 trust with  
 turn to  
 work on

5 most common Verb + Preposition combinations CONVERSATION

1. deal with
2. get into
3. go for
4. look at
5. pay for

6. turn to
7. get at
8. get over
9. go through
10. look for
11. stare at
12. wait for
13. ask about
14. ask for
15. speak of
16. speak to
17. talk about
18. talk to
19. believe in
20. know about
21. look into
22. think about/of
23. worry about
24. look like
25. listen to

Most common Verb + Preposition combinations

ACADEMIC

1. account for
2. belong to
3. contribute to
4. depend on
5. lead to
6. refer to
7. allow for
8. consist of
9. deal with
10. differ from
11. occur in
12. result in

These verb + preposition combinations are commonly used in the passive voice and in academic writing

1. classified as
2. defined as
3. referred to as
4. considered as
5. known as
6. regarded as
7. found in
8. involved in
9. used in
10. included in
11. shown in
12. applied to
13. confined to
14. related to
15. attributed to
16. linked to
17. associated with
18. composed of

19. required for
20. based on
21. derived from
22. used for

## **The following is a list of verbs and prepositions which commonly appear together.**

accuse (someone) of ([doing] something)  
 add (something) to (something else)  
 admire (someone) for ([doing] something)  
 agree on (topic)  
 agree with (someone)  
 apologize to (someone) for ([doing] something)  
 apply to (a place) for (something)  
 approve of (something)  
 argue with (someone) about (topic)  
 arrive at (a building, room, site, event)  
 arrive in (a city, country)  
 ask (someone) about (someone/topic)  
 ask (someone) for (something)  
 believe in (something)  
 belong to (someone)  
 blame (someone) for ([doing] something)  
 borrow (something) from (someone)  
 care about (someone/something/topic)  
 comment on (topic)  
 compare (something) to/with (something else)  
 complain to (someone) about (something)  
 concentrate on ([doing] something)  
 congratulate (someone) for/on ([doing] something)  
 consist of (some things)  
 consent to ([doing] something)  
 contribute to (something)  
 count on (someone) to (do something)  
 cover (something) with (something else)  
 decide on (topic)  
 depend on (someone) for (something)  
 discuss (something) with (someone)  
 distinguish (something) from (something else)  
 dream about/of (someone/something)  
 escape from (somewhere)  
 explain (topic) to (someone)  
 excuse (someone) for ([doing] something)  
 forgive (someone) for ([doing] something)  
 get rid of (something)  
 graduate from (a place)  
 happen to (someone)  
 help (someone) with (something)  
 hide (something) from (someone)

insist (up)on (something)  
 introduce (someone) to (someone else)  
 invite (someone) to (an event)  
 keep (something) for (someone)  
 matter to (someone)  
 object to (something)  
 participate in (something)  
 pay (price) for (something)  
 plan on ([doing] something)  
 pray for (someone/something)  
 prefer (something) to (something else)  
 prevent (someone) from ([doing] something)  
 prohibit (someone) from ([doing] something)  
 protect (someone) from (something)  
 provide (someone) with (something)  
 recover from (something)  
 rely (up)on (someone/something)  
 remind (someone) of (something)  
 rescue (someone) from (something)  
 respond to (someone/something)  
 save (someone) from (something)  
 search for (something)  
 separate (something) from (something else)  
 scold (someone) for ([doing] something)  
 smile at (someone) for ([doing] something)  
 speak to/with (someone) about (topic)  
 stare at (something/someone)  
 stop (someone) from ([doing] something)  
 subscribe to (something)  
 substitute (something) for (something else/someone)  
 subtract (something) from (something else)  
 succeed in ([doing] something)  
 suffer from (something)  
 take advantage of (someone/something/situation)  
 take care of (something/someone)  
 talk to/with (someone) about (topic)  
 thank (someone) for ([doing] something)  
 travel to (somewhere)  
 vote for (someone)  
 vouch for (someone)  
 wait for (someone/something)  
 wish for (something)  
 work for (company/something/someone)