

**Prepositional phrases exercise**

Complete the following sentences using appropriate prepositional phrases. A prepositional phrase is a group of words containing a preposition. A prepositional phrase serves the same purpose as a preposition. Like prepositions, they are also used to indicate the relationship between a noun and some other words in the sentence.

1. The boys were given pizza ..... ..  
bread and butter for breakfast today.

in spite of

instead of

in addition

2. He did not go to school ..... ..  
the heavy rains.

on account

because of

in spite of

3. .... his illness, he wrote

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the exam very well.

In spite of

Despite of

Because of

4. Do you want ..... books to read?

any more

any longer

any further

5. He does not need his father's help  
.....

any longer

any further

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6. .... going to school, he went to the cinema.

Instead of

In spite of

Without

7. The shops were closed ..... the trade union strike.

on account of

with respect to

by virtue of

8. The judge paid no attention ..... that she had four young children to bring up.

to fact

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to the fact

for the fact

## Answers

1. The boys were given pizza instead of bread and butter for breakfast today.
2. He did not go to school because of the heavy rains.
3. In spite of his illness, he wrote the exam very well.
4. Do you want any more books to read?
5. He does not need his father's help any longer.
6. Instead of going to school, he went to the cinema.
7. The shops were closed on account of the trade union strike.
8. The judge paid no attention to the fact that she had four young children to bring up.