

HSK 5 Grammar 8: Prepositions

HSK 5 preposition patterns, taught from the reviewed topic handout; classroom examples, not official exam items.

(自) 从, 为, 对 ... 而言, 包括 ... 在内, 凭 · 1/2

Pattern	Job	Example
(自) 从	Ever since a point	自从毕业以来, 我一直在北京。 — Since graduating, I've been in Beijing.
为 + person	For someone's benefit	妈妈为我做了晚饭。 — Mum cooked dinner for me.
对 ... 而言	As far as someone is concerned	对学生而言, 这门课很难。 — For students, this course is hard.

(自) 从, 为, 对 ... 而言, 包括 ... 在内, 凭 · 2/2

Pattern	Job	Example
(包括)... 在内	Including	十个人, 包括我在内。 — Ten people, including me.
凭	On the basis of	凭票入场。 — Enter with a ticket.

至于, 给 ... 给 ..., 就 ... 来说, 趁

Pattern	Job	Example
至于	as for: a new topic	至于费用, 我们再讨论。
给 ... 给 ...	casual double-给 passive	我的伞给室友给借走了。
就 ... 来说	in terms of	就经验来说, 他最合适。
趁	while the chance lasts	趁年轻多学点。

Practice check

Your turn

Which pair is right? (1) 凭票入场 — what does 凭 do? (2) 趁年轻多学点 — what does 趁 say about the condition?

- A. Names the method; the condition is permanent
- B. Names the credential; the condition won't last
- C. Names the credential; the condition is permanent
- D. Names the method; the condition won't last

为 + person + predicate

For someone's sake

妈妈为我做了晚饭。Mum cooked dinner for me.

大家都为她高兴。Everyone is happy for her.

对 + person + 而言

Written — 对 而言

对学生而言，这门课很难。

Everyday — 对 来说

对学生来说，这门课很难。

(包括) 在内

十个人，包括我在内。 — Ten people, including me.

凭

凭票入场。 — Enter with a ticket.

至于

至于费用，我们再讨论。 — As for the cost, we'll discuss later.

给 ... 给 ...

Casual — double 给

我的伞给室友给借走了。

门口的车位给邻居给占了。

Neutral or written — 被

伞被室友借走了。

就 ... (来说 / 而言)

就经验来说，他最合适。 — In terms of experience, he fits best.

趁

趁年轻多学点。 — Learn more while you're young.

Answers — Part 1

The handout answers walk through every Part 1 item, tracing each to the prepositions own job.

Answers — Part 2

The handout answers walk through every Part 2 item, tracing each to the prepositions own job.

Practice — Part 2

Your turn

Texting a friend: my umbrella got borrowed by my roommate. Which casual sentence fits?

- A. 我的伞给室友给借走了。
- B. 我的伞是给室友给的。
- C. 室友给我的伞给借走了。

Check yourself

Your turn

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- B. Names the credential; won't last
- C. Names the credential; permanent
- D. Names the method; won't last