**Common Errors in the Use of English Prepositions**

A preposition connects nouns and pronouns and serves to provide necessary details that tell the reader when, where, or how something occurred…

Incorrect: I recommend you to take a long vacation.

Correct: I recommend that you take a long vacation.

Incorrect: Come to here.

Correct: Come here.

Incorrect: The sun rises from the East.

Correct: The sun rises in the East.

Incorrect: The thief got in from the window.

Correct: The thief got in through the window.

Incorrect: Let's begin from page 10.

Correct: Let's begin at ( on ) page 10.

Incorrect: Are you home tomorrow.

Correct: Are you at home tomorrow.

Incorrect: There is a limit in my patience.

Correct: There is a limit to my patience.

Incorrect: Is your house insured for fire ?

Correct: Is your house insured against fire ?

Incorrect: Keep the right.

Correct: Keep to the right.

Incorrect: What a dirty face ! Look at the mirror.

Correct: What a dirty face ! Look in the mirror.

Incorrect: This is the key of my room.

Correct: This is the key to my room.

Incorrect: It's a novel of three volumes.

Correct: It's a novel in three volumes.

Incorrect: He is a student of Harvard University.

Correct: He is a student at Harvard University.

Incorrect: He had a child of his former wife.

Correct: He had a child by his former wife.

Incorrect: I saw it on the newspapers.

 Correct: I read ( saw ) it in the newspapers.

Incorrect: Shall we sit in that sofa ?

Correct: Shall we sit on that sofa ?

Incorrect: I bought this book with 50 dollars.

Correct: I bought this book for 50 dollars.

Incorrect: My father is busy in his business.

Correct: My father is busy with his business.

Incorrect: You shouldn't worry of getting married.

Correct: You shouldn't worry about getting married.

