Dependent prepositions

1 There is a mistake in each of the sentences below. Can you correct it?

a) There have been huge advances in the development to transport over the last century.
b) Some celebrities become famous of just knowing and spending time with famous people!
c) Charles Darwin visited the Galapagos Islands and made observations to the wildlife that inhabited the islands.
d) Some people are obsessed about famous footballers and singers.
e) We were concerned for the safety of the boat that was being used for rowing lessons.
f) My grandmother was given the award in recognition to her tireless work for local charities.
g) Many people devote their lives of the pursuit of knowledge, be it in the field of science or otherwise.
h) Sometimes you think so hard to find a solution about a problem, when the answer is really quite obvious!
i) Have you made any observations for the way this class interacts together?
j) The quality to this writing is simply astounding for a first time author.
k) Many painters draw their inspiration of beautiful landscapes that they see.
l) We need a lawyer that specialises on corporate law.

Compare with your partner. Have you both noticed the same mistakes? Have you both corrected with the same prepositions?

2 Discuss the following with your partner. Give reasons for your answers.

a) Which author do you admire most in the field of contemporary fiction?
b) Have you ever been so immersed in a piece of work or a book that you have not noticed how much time has gone past?
c) Which artist do you believe has contributed most to the genre of rap music?
d) What do you think of the idea of video phones?
e) Is there anyone in your life that you draw inspiration from?
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TEACHER’S NOTES:

Aim: to provide further practice of dependent prepositions. This worksheet is designed to be used in conjunction with unit 9.1.
Time: 40 minutes
Materials: copy of the worksheet for each student

1. Ask students to read the sentences and correct the mistakes. All the mistakes are connected with dependent prepositions. Students compare their answers with a partner. Elicit answers from the class.

Answers:

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2. Students discuss the questions, which all contain dependent prepositions. Ask for class feedback.