

Prepositions: By, Over

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| 1. Next to / near | <i>The house is <u>by</u> the river.</i> |
| 2. Pass, without stopping | <i>The bus passed <u>by</u> our home</i> |
| 3. How? | <i>To travel <u>by</u> plane, <u>by</u> train, <u>by</u> bus.</i> |
| 4. During | <i>To travel <u>by</u> night.</i> |
| 5. An action finished before a specific time | <i>He will be here <u>by</u> noon.</i> |
| 6. By + an artist or a composer | <i>This song is <u>by</u> the Beatles.</i> |

IDIOMS AND EXPRESSIONS:

- Examples: *By the way, what time is it. (incidentally)*
You have to know this song by heart. (memorize)
Day by day he's getting better. (gradually)
I like to eat by myself. (alone)
By the time you get my postcard, I'll be home. (when)

OVER:

- A moving object that goes up to go over an object, before it comes down again.
 Example: *The airplane flew over a city.*
- A non-moving object placed above someone or something.
 Example: *She wants to hang the picture over the fireplace.*
- Throughout all parts
 Examples: *She traveled over land and sea before she found a place to live.*
The news travels very fast all over the city.

IDIOMS - EXPRESSIONS:

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| <i>I wrote the letter <u>over and over</u> again.</i> | (repeatedly) |
| <i>He might <u>take over</u> Mr. Smith's duties.</i> | (to assume control) |
| <i>You have <u>to look over/go over</u> your homework.</i> | (to examine) |
| <i>Your books are <u>over there</u> by the window.</i> | (far from the speaker) |

Intermediate 1 – Exercise 10 – Prepositions: By, Over

Fill in the blanks with BY or OVER.

1. Look _____ your notes to refresh your memory.
2. I live _____ a park.
3. _____ there is where you put your glasses.
4. When I leave my office, I go _____ the reception desk.
5. _____ the time you read this note, I will be at my friend's house.
6. The ball flew _____ David's head and landed _____ the garage.
7. The train passes _____ many small towns but it only stops in major cities.
8. Sam lost his notes. He looked all _____ his house but couldn't find them.
9. _____ the way, what happened to Christie?
10. Do you come to school _____ bus or _____ subway?
11. Pass _____ my house on the way to your parents' house.
12. Jane flew _____ Philadelphia today.
13. Hang the painting _____ the bed.
14. This novel is _____ Gabriel Garcia Marquez.
15. Ted knows many poems _____ heart; he has a fantastic memory.
16. Are you going _____ bus or _____ car?
17. The young man _____ the piano keeps singing the same song _____ and _____.
18. Let's go _____ this report one last time.
19. Put your boots _____ the door.
20. That crazy boyfriend drove _____ her house, but didn't stop.