

A. From

1. Starting point = the time or point in time when something starts	Tickets for the festival are on sale from Monday. The finals take place from 1.30 pm on Sunday.
2. The level that things begin at, such as numbers or prices.	Prices start from £366 per week for a single room.
3. Distance in relation to somewhere else	The Metro is nearby and we are only five minutes from the bus station.
4. Origin	Rosy comes from Leeds. We get our vegetables from the market. Would you get me a knife from that drawer?
5. The way we use materials or ingredients to make things	Camembert is made from unpasteurised milk.

B. From ... to

1. Ranges of different things	Prices range from £405 to £425, depending on the size of the room. He was Prime Minister from 1982 to 1986. The river flows from east to west.
2. A change in the state of someone or something	He's moved from London to Paris.
3. Start and end of time	We have class from 12.00 to (until / 'til) 1pm.

C. For

1. To help or benefit someone/something...who or what is intended to receive something or get the benefit of it.	I've brought a cup of tea <u>for</u> you. Claudia, this present is <u>for</u> you. So, what can I do <u>for</u> you? The academy provides training <u>for</u> young musicians. They'll have to buy furniture <u>for</u> the new house.
2. Someone does something so that another person does not have to do it.	Rost will take care of things <u>for</u> us while we're away.
3. In order to protect someone or something	The barriers are here <u>for</u> protection.
4. The purpose of an object or action	We use the basement <u>for</u> storage. The green button is <u>for</u> turning the machine on.
5. A length of time or a distance	There have been droughts <u>for</u> the last two summers. I've been waiting <u>for</u> 20 minutes. We haven't seen Rost <u>for</u> a while.

D. Of

1. Belonging to, relating to, or connected with	The front door of my house is broken. The first page of the book describes the author's profile. I always dreamed of being rich and famous.
2. To indicate reference	I graduated in the summer of 2000. This is a picture of my family.
3. An amount or number	I drank three glasses of wine. A large number of people gathered to protest.

E. By = most commonly used as a preposition (can be an adverb = “The school is close by.” “The cyclist peddled by the river.”)

1. “by” + place = beside, at the side of, next to, close to	The pub is by a river. I would love to live in a house by the cordillera.
2. “by” + method of transport = how you travel = by train, car, boat, etc.	I get to work by train.
3. “by” + method of communication = by + telephone, text, WhatsApp, email, etc.	I contacted her by WhatsApp. Please confirm your attendance by e-mail.
4. “by” + method of payment but not cash where you use “in”.	Can I pay by credit card?
5. “by” + the passive when we say who is doing the action	Wine is exported by Chile.
6. “by” + reflexive pronoun = myself, yourself, etc.	I enjoy riding my bicycle by myself.
7. “by” + -ING verb = how to do something.	You turn on your phone by holding down that button.
8. “by” + time expression = no later than.	We must be at the airport by no later than 10am if we want to make the flight.