

## Exercises

**128.1** Complete the sentences using **by** + the following:

canal      ~~chance~~      credit card      hand      mistake

- 1 We hadn't arranged to meet. We met by chance.
- 2 I didn't intend to take your umbrella. I took it .....
- 3 Don't put the sweater in the washing machine. It has to be washed .....
- 4 I don't need cash. I can pay the bill .....
- 5 The town is not on the coast, but is connected to the sea .....

**128.2** Put in **by**, **in** or **on**.

- 1 Jess usually goes to work by bus.
- 2 I saw Jane this morning. She was ..... the bus.
- 3 How did you get here? Did you come ..... train?
- 4 I decided not to go ..... car. I went ..... my bike instead.
- 5 I didn't feel like walking home, so I came home ..... a taxi.
- 6 Sorry we're late. We missed the bus, so we had to come ..... foot.
- 7 How long does it take to cross the Atlantic ..... ship?

**128.3** All these sentences have a mistake. Correct them.

- 1 Did you come here by Kate's car or yours? in Kate's car
- 2 I don't like travelling on bus. ....
- 3 These photographs were taken by a very good camera. ....
- 4 I know this music is from Beethoven, but I can't remember what it's called. ....
- 5 I couldn't pay by cash – I didn't have any money on me. ....
- 6 We lost the game because of a mistake of one of our players. ....

**128.4** Write three sentences like the examples. Write about a song, a painting, a film, a book etc.

- 1 War and Peace is a book by Tolstoy.
- 2 Romeo and Juliet is a play by Shakespeare.
- 3 .....
- 4 .....
- 5 .....

**128.5** Put in **by**, **in**, **on** or **with**.

- 1 Have you ever been bitten by a dog?
- 2 The plane was badly damaged ..... lightning.
- 3 We managed to put the fire out ..... a fire extinguisher.
- 4 Who is that man standing ..... the window?
- 5 These photographs were taken ..... a friend of mine.
- 6 I don't mind going ..... car, but I don't want to go ..... your car.
- 7 There was a small table ..... the bed ..... a lamp and a clock ..... it.

**128.6** Complete the sentences using **by**.

- 1 Clare's salary was £2,500 a month. Now it is £2,750.  
Her salary has increased by £250.
- 2 My daily newspaper used to cost 80 pence. From today it costs 90.  
The price has gone up .....
- 3 There was an election. Helen won. She got 25 votes and James got 23.  
Helen won .....
- 4 I went to Kate's house to see her, but she had gone out five minutes before I arrived.  
I missed .....