Summary – Idioms – Functions II

"Means"

- ✓ Walking is a means of exercise \Rightarrow Walking is <u>a kind of</u> exercise.
- ✓ Dieting is a means to reduce weight. \Rightarrow Dieting <u>method to</u> reduce weight.

"Aid"

- ✓ Red Cross gives <u>aid</u> to underprivileged children \Rightarrow *as noun*
- ✓ Red Cross <u>aids</u> underprivileged children \Rightarrow *as verb*.
- \times Red Cross <u>aids for underprivileged children</u> \Rightarrow *prepositions not allowed with "aid" as verb.*

"Account"

Per the <u>account</u> {means "narrative") of firefighter, negligent bon fire in the campsite <u>accounted for</u> {means "to be cause of"} the raging forest fire.



Rates for insurance coverage have increased over the last two years.

 \Rightarrow Rate = price = always use "for"

<u>Rate of</u> change of stock prices indicate the extent of volatility.

 \Rightarrow Rate = measure = use "of"