

**4A. Agency / Instrument**

(ব্যক্তি, বস্তু, বা ঘটনার সহায়তা/মাধ্যম)

at, by, with, through, from.



**4B. Manner / means (পদ্ধতি)**

by, with, through, from.



at auction (নিলামের মাধ্যমে), killed **by** a man **with** a gun, **by** heart (Learn **by** heart—মুখস্থ করে নাও), **by** force, **by** post, **by** poison, destroyed **by** fire, caused **by** flood, **by** bus, **by** tram, **by** air (আকাশপথে), **by** land (স্থলপথে), **by** sea (সমুদ্রপথে), **by** (in) an accident.

by tuition (He makes his living by tuition), paid **by** credit card, powered **by** electricity, **by** hand (These goods are made **by** hand.), **by** the ear (I pulled him **by** the ear.), **by** my watch (It's 5-30 **by** my watch.), taller **by** two centimeter.

**with** love, **with** courage, **with** ease, **with** difficulty, cut it **with** a blade, **through** an agent, **through** a friend, **from** gratitude.

**5. Reason / Purpose (কারণ, উদ্দেশ্য)**

for, from, of, through, to, with

**for** the good of the people, died **for** the country, took medicine **for** a cold, died **from** fatigue, suffering **from** cold/fever, died **of** cancer, cholera/diarrhoea (ডায়েরিয়া); lost his book **through** negligence, read **to** learn (purpose), trembles **with** fear, shivers **with** fever.

**6A. Possession (স্বত্ব, অধিকার)**

of, with



the book **of** John, the factory **of** my father, the girl **with** blue eye, the woman **with** long hair, I have no money **with** me.

**6B. Relationship (সম্বন্ধ)**

I live **with** my parents. Mix the flour **with** some milk.

**7. Standard / Rate / Value / Speed**

(মান, হার, মূল্যমান, গতি)

at, by

Bank charges interest **at** 17 percent (rate). Cloth is sold **by** the meter (standard). Rice is sold **at** Rs. 8 per kg. (value). The train is running **at** 80 km per hour (speed).

**SOME IMPORTANT PREPOSITIONS**

**AT, IN**

He is **at home** (denotes rest)

He is **at his office** (denotes 'on duty'/'at work'—A. L. D.—Hornby)

He is **in the office** (denotes 'inside the office')

—Oxford Guide to Eng. Grammar—Eastwood)