

## Worksheet GB No. 44

### Grammar Bite 44: "For or by?" ☆☆☆

(☆☆ = Basic ☆☆☆ = Intermediate ☆☆☆☆ = Advanced)

#### Activity

Put one of these words in each blank:

**for by**

1a This device is \_\_\_\_\_ cutting up sheets of paper to an agreed size.

1b You use it \_\_\_\_\_ sliding the paper under this bar and then pulling the cutter across.

2a You can make a lot of progress in Spanish \_\_\_\_\_ simply spending half an hour a day working on it.

2b This book is \_\_\_\_\_ you to learn Spanish; it should help you.

3a The school provides training \_\_\_\_\_ young musicians.

3b They do this \_\_\_\_\_ arranging for music teachers to come in.

4a I've brought a cup of soup \_\_\_\_\_ you to try.

4b I make the soup \_\_\_\_\_ mashing together potatoes, carrots and onions, with some spices.

5a What can I do \_\_\_\_\_ you while you're away?

5b You can help us \_\_\_\_\_ looking after the house.

**for by**

6a Diplomats work \_\_\_\_\_ their country.

6b They do this \_\_\_\_\_ living abroad and making useful contacts.

7a The Internet is not really mainly \_\_\_\_\_ shopping...

7b ... but \_\_\_\_\_ using it you can do your shopping from home.

8a They arrived quickly \_\_\_\_\_ using their feet....

8b ...feet, after all, are designed \_\_\_\_\_ walking!

9a We use these books \_\_\_\_\_ reading practice.

9b Reading is taught \_\_\_\_\_ traditional methods here.

10a We can identify each patient \_\_\_\_\_ using these codes.

10b The codes are \_\_\_\_\_ ensuring that mistakes aren't made.

#### Notes

**For and by: two uses**

##### For

We use *for* to express the purpose, or the aim of something:

*This book is for you.*

*This marker is for writing on CDs.*

##### By

We use *by* to express the means we use, or the way we do something:

*You can access the building by the main door.*

*You can set off the alarm by breaking this glass.*

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