

**Unit 126** **Verb + preposition (2)**

Study this list of *verbs + preposition*:

- dream ABOUT** someone/something:  
- I **dreamt about** you last night.
- dream OF** being something/doing something (= imagine):  
- I often **dream of** being rich.
- a/so*: '(I) **wouldn't dream (of doing something)**':  
- 'Don't tell anyone what said.' 'No, I **wouldn't dream of it.**'
- happen TO** someone/something:  
- A strange thing **happened to** me the other day.  
- What **happened to** that gold watch you used to have?
- hear ABOUT** something (= be told about something):  
- Did you **hear about** the fight in the club on Saturday night?  
- Have you **heard about** Jane? She's getting married.
- hear OF** someone/something (= know that someone/something exists):  
- 'Who is Tom Madely?' 'I have no idea. I've never **heard of** him.'  
- Have you **heard of** a company called 'Smith Electrics'?
- hear FROM** someone (= receive a letter / telephone call from someone):  
- 'Have you **heard from** Ann recently?' 'Yes, she wrote to me last week.'
- laugh/smile AT** someone/something:  
- I look stupid with this haircut. Everyone will **laugh at** me.
- listen TO** someone/something:  
- We spent the evening **listening to** records.
- live ON** money/food:  
- George's salary is very low. It isn't enough to **live on**.
- look AT** someone/something (= look in the direction of):  
- Why are you **looking at** me like that?  
*a/so*: **have a look AT, state AT, glance AT**
- look FOR** someone/something (= try to find):  
- I've lost my keys. Can you help me **look for** them?
- look AFTER** someone/something (= take care of):  
- She's very old. She needs someone to **look after** her.  
- You can borrow this book if you promise to **look after** it.
- pay (someone) FOR** something:  
- I didn't have enough money to **pay for** the meal.  
*but*: **pay a bill / a fine / \$50 / a fare / taxes** etc. (no preposition).
- rely ON** someone/something:  
- You can **rely on** Jack. He always keeps his promises.

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