

Unit 80: HOW?

Here are some ways to describe:

1. the style, or way, of doing something: the manner
2. the method of doing something

1 Manner

We can use:

- a** ADVERBS (Unit 64.2) He spoke **loudly**.
He **nervously** opened the letter.
- b** PREPOSITION + He spoke **in a loud voice**.
NOUN PHRASE He ran **with difficulty**.
(Unit 45.3) The car approached **at great speed**.

2 Method

- a** ACTIVITIES **by** + **-ing** FORM OF VERB
- We kept warm **by** jumping up and down.
- You know when to change gear **by** listening to the engine.

b TRAVEL AND COMMUNICATION

We use **by**: We traveled **by** air.
I prefer traveling **by** boat.
We sent the message **by** fax.
You can cross the road **by** the bridge.

BUT NOTICE: We decided to go **on** **foot**.

C THINGS YOU USE

She cut the bread with a knife.	(She used a knife.)
You can't get in without a key.	(You need a key.)
These houses are made with cement.	(and other things)
This wallet is made of leather.	(and nothing else)
Paper is made from wood.	(We change the wood.)
Aluminum is extracted by electricity.	(by for processes)

NOTICE: The message was sent **by John.** (= John sent the message.)
The message was sent **with John.**
(= John carried the message; somebody else sent it.)

NOTICE: The message was sent with John. **That way**, it arrived on Saturday.