

Across / along / over / through

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a) across
b) over
c) along
d) through

2. I've got friends right _____ the world.
a) across
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3. Their eyes met _____ a crowded room.
a) across
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c) along
e) through

4. The little girl walked _____ the path until she came to her grandmother's house.
a) across
b) over
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5. The wolf ran _____ the forest and reached her grandmother's cottage before her.
a) across
b) over
c) along
d) through

6. She's won the lottery! She's _____ the moon!
a) across
b) over
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ANSWERS

1. He jumped _____ the wall.

- a) across
- b) over**
- c) along
- d) through

a) We don't use 'across' with tall or high objects such as walls. Try again!

b) Well done! 'Over' is the right answer.

c) The preposition 'along' isn't correct, and is difficult to understand in this context. Try again!

d) Ghosts might be able to jump through walls, but people can't. Try again!

2. I've got friends right _____ the world.

- a) across
- b) over**
- c) along
- d) through

a) **Well done. We could also say 'all over the world'.**

b) We can say 'all over the world', but we can't say 'right over the world'. Try again!

c) The preposition 'along' doesn't work in this context. Try again!

d) The preposition 'through' doesn't work in this context. Try again!

3. Their eyes met _____ a crowded room.

- a) across**
- b) over
- c) along
- e) through

a) Well done! Here we think of the room as a broad, flat surface, so 'across' is the right preposition to choose.

b) The preposition 'over' doesn't work here. Try again!

c) The preposition 'along' doesn't work here. Try again!

d) In this context, we think of the crowded room as a broad, flat surface, so 'through' doesn't work here.

4. The little girl walked _____ the path until she came to her grandmother's house.
- a) across
 - b) over
 - c) **along**
 - d) through

- a) In this sentence we think of the path as a line which the girl is following. Try again!
- b) In this sentence we think of the path as a line which the girl is following. Try again!
- c) **Well done! We use the preposition 'along' when someone is following a line, or something shaped like a line.**
- d) In this sentence we think of the path as a line which the girl is following. Try again!

5. The wolf ran _____ the forest and reached her grandmother's cottage before her.
- a) across
 - b) over
 - c) along
 - d) **through**

- a) In this context, we think of the wolf passing from one side of a space to the other side, so 'across' doesn't work. Try again!
- b) A bird can fly over a forest, but a wolf can't run over it. Try again!
- c) 'Along' doesn't work in this context. Try again!
- d) **Well done! When we're talking about movement from one side of a space to the other side, 'through' is the correct preposition to choose.**

6. She's won the lottery! She's _____ the moon!
- a) across
 - b) **over**
 - c) along
 - d) through

- a) 'Across the moon' doesn't work in this context. Try again!
- b) **Well done. 'Over the moon' is an idiom, meaning 'delighted' or 'very happy'.**
- c) Sorry, but 'along the moon' doesn't work. Try again!
- d) 'Through the moon' doesn't work in this context. Try again!