

Uses of “por”:

Acronym:	Uses:	Examples:
A	Around a place	¿Hay un hospital por aquí? <i>(Is there a hospital around here?)</i>
T	Transportation (Through or by a place)	Paso por la universidad todos los días. <i>(I go by the university every day)</i>
R	Reason or motive	Llegué tarde por el tráfico. <i>(I was late because of the traffic)</i>
A	After , “going to get something”. (Express the object of an errand)	Fui al supermercado por leche. <i>(I went to the supermarket for milk)</i>
C	Cost , unit/rate	Ana pagó 25 euros por la camisa. <i>(Ana paid 25 euros for the shirt)</i>
T	Thanks (after thank you)	Gracias por tu ayuda <i>(Thanks for your help)</i>
E	Exchange (substitution)	Quiero cambiar esto por eso. <i>(I want to change this for that)</i>
D	Duration of an event	Viví en Arizona por cinco años. <i>(I lived in Arizona for five years)</i>

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P	Purpose: in order to (followed by an infinitive)	Yo trabajo para ganar dinero. <i>(I work to make money)</i>
E	Effect	Voy a la universidad para ser abogado. <i>(I go to the university to become a lawyer)</i>
R	Recipient	Este helado es para ti. <i>(This ice cream is for you)</i>
F	Future dates (Deadlines)	La tarea es para el lunes. <i>(The homework is for Monday)</i>
E	Employment	Trabajo para un empresario. <i>(I work for a businessman)</i>
C	Comparison	Para una niña, juega muy bien al fútbol. <i>(For a girl, she plays soccer very good)</i>
T	Toward a specific place (Destination)	Caminan para la biblioteca. <i>(They walk towards the library)</i>