



Prepositions of movement: ACROSS/TO/THROUGH

Glossary:

WHERE ARE YOU?	To run across (the floor)
(On the phone)	To mean
'I'm on my way'	To go past
To follow	far
instructions	To look up
The connection	To wave one's hand
To get off	'I'm coming'
already	Cosy (for a place)
A bit	A regular
through	To look
A floor	lovely
On the (second) floor	A napkin
above	while
A clothing store	'let me treat you'
From here	In a (good)mood
should	To share
'on the terrace'	To pick
The wrong way	A snack
'Turn around'	'I'll be right back'
	To order



Grammar: Prepositions of movement

Prepositions are also called 'dynamic'. We use them to show movement to or from a place.

1/ ACROSS

We use **ACROSS** to show movement from one side of a surface to another.

Example: They swam across the river.(=they swam from one side to another)

2/ TO

We use **TO** to show movement with a specific destination.

Example: I went to Australia. The dog ran to his owner.

3/ THROUGH

We use **THROUGH** to show movement from one side of an indoor or enclosed space to the other.

Example: The train went through the tunnel



Dialogue:

WHERE ARE YOU?

Wentworth: (on the phone) Sarah, Where are you?

Sarah: I'm on my way.

Wentworth: Did you follow my instructions?

Sarah: Yes, I did. I took the connection to the station. I'm getting off. I shall be there in a minute. Where are you?

Wentworth: I'm at the station, already!

Sarah: I'm sorry, I'm a bit late. I'm passing through the gates now.

Wentworth: Sarah, I am actually in the Italian restaurant called PAOLO PIZZA. It is on the second floor, above M&J clothing store... Can you see it? I can't see you from here...

Sarah: I'm on the first floor. I'll take the escalator by the clothing store you're referring to. But I can't see it!

Wentworth: Wait. You should see escalators. I'm on the terrace... Yes, I can see you now. You're going the wrong way. Turn around, Yes. Go to the escalator and take it! No need to run across the floor! The restaurant is there!

Sarah: You mean that I go past M&J; the restaurant is above, not far from the escalators?

Wentworth: Look up, you'll see me wave my hand!

Sarah: Now I see you! I'm coming!

Wentworth: It's a cosy restaurant, isn't it? My wife and I are regulars here.

Sarah: It looks lovely, indeed. Love the napkins!

Wentworth: Here is the menu. Have a look at it while I'm going to the bathroom. Don't check the prices, let me treat you!

Sarah: Wow! You must be in a really good mood! Thank you!

Wentworth: Well, it's only for today.

Sarah: Haha...I'll have champagne then!

Wentworth: Well, I have some good news to share, so why not? Pick some snack, as well. I'll be right back!

Sarah: (to the waiter) I'll order when my friend comes back. Thanks