around

1. [ə'ravnd] *adv*

1. 1) кругом; вокруг

to turn around - вращаться [*см. тж.* 4] he was turning around and around - он вертелся как волчок

a dense fog lay around - кругом был густой туман, всё вокруг было окутано густым туманом

2) повсюду (*mж.* all around)

all around were signs of decay - повсюду были следы упадка

to follow smb. around - повсюду следовать за кем-л.

to wander around - брести, не разбирая дороги

he walked around to see the town - он бродил по улицам, чтобы осмотреть город

don't leave your clothes lying around - не разбрасывай свои вещи как попало

2. в окружности; в обхвате

for ten miles around - на десять миль в окружности

the tree measures four feet around - дерево имеет четыре фута в обхвате

3. амер. разг. вблизи, поблизости

there was no one around - никого поблизости не было wait around awhile - подождите немного где-нибудь тут to hang around - околачиваться поблизости, слоняться around here - здесь, в этих местах

I'll be around if you should want me - я пока побуду здесь, на случай, если я тебе понадоблюсь

4. обратно

to turn around - а) оборачиваться; б) поворачивать назад; в) изменить взгляды, [см. тж. 1, 1)]

5. с начала до конца, напролёт

the weather here is mild the year around - здесь круглый год стоит мягкая погода there is enough coffee to go around - кофе хватит на всех

6. второй компонент фразового глагола:

come around to see us - зайди(те) к нам

he's now able to be around but he is not yet fully well - он уже встаёт, но ещё не совсем поправился

другие сочетания см. под соответствующими словами

◊ to have been around - a) много путешествовать, повидать свет; б) набраться опыта; I have been around and I know one or two things about life - мне приходилось бывать в переделках, и я кое-что понимаю в жизни; в) презр. видать виды (особ. о женщине); this girl has been around a lot - это многоопытная девица

2. [ə'ravnd] prep

указывает на

1. движение или нахождение вокруг вокруг, кругом

to travel around the world - совершать кругосветное путешествие he wrapped his blanket around him - он завернулся в одеяло woods lay around the house - вокруг дома был лес she gave a glance around the room - она обвела взглядом комнату she had a coat around her shoulders - она набросила пальто на плечи

2. амер. разг. нахождение неподалёку неподалёку, вблизи, около, за

the child played around the house - ребёнок играл около дома

just around the corner - сразу за углом

please stay around the house - а) пожалуйста, не уходи далеко от дома; б) пожалуйста, посиди дома

3. амер. разг.

1) нахождение в разных местах повсюду

he leaves his books around the house - его книги валяются по всему дому

2) движение в разных направлениях по

to roam around the country - скитаться /бродить/ по стране he travelled around the country - он путешествовал /ездил/ по стране

4. разг. приблизительность приблизительно, примерно, около

it cost around five dollars - это стоило около пяти долларов around four o'clock - приблизительнов четыре часа, около четырёх часов around sixty guests - примерно шестьдесят человек гостей

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around adverb preposition BrE [ə'raʊnd] NAmE [ə'raʊnd]

adverb For the special uses of around in phrasal verbs, look at the entries for the verbs. For example **come around to sth** is in the phrasal verb section at **come**.

1. approximately

- He arrived around five o'clock.
- The cost would be somewhere around £1 500.
- 2. on every side; surrounding sb/sth
- I could hear laughter all around.
- a yard with a fence all around
- **3.** (especially NAmE) (BrE usually **round**) moving in a circle
- How do you make the wheels go around?
- 4. (especially NAmE) (BrE usually round) measured in a circle

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· an old tree that was at least ten feet around

5. in or to many places

- We were all running around trying to get ready in time.
- . This is our new office- Kay will show you around.
- There were papers lying around all over the floor.
- 6. used to describe activities that have no real purpose
- There were several young people sitting around looking bored.

7. present in a place; available

- · There was more money around in those days.
- · I knocked but there was no one around.
- Digital television has been around for some time now.

8. active and well known in a sport, profession, etc

- · a new tennis champion who could be around for a long time
- She's been around as a film director since the 1980s.
- 9. (especially NAmE) (BrE usually round) in a circle or curve to face another way or the opposite way
- · She turned the car around and drove off. • They looked around when he called.

see also [†]about. [†]round

Word Origin:

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preposition (especially NAmE) (BrE usually round)

- 1. surrounding sb/sth; on each side of sth
- The house is built around a central courtyard.
- He put his arms around her.
- 2. on, to or from the other side of sb/sth
 - Our house is just around the corner.
- · The bus came around the bend.
- · There must be a way around the problem.

3. in a circle

They walked around the lake.

4. in or to many places in an area

. They walked around the town looking for a place to eat.

5. to fit in with particular people, ideas, etc

• I can't arrange everything around your timetable!

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a round S1 W1 /ə'raund/ BrE AmE [®] adverb, preposition

- 1. surrounding or on all sides of something or someone SYN round British English:
 - The whole family was sitting around the dinner table.
 - The Romans built a defensive wall around the city. She wore a beautiful silk shawl around her shoulders.
 - People crowded around to see what was happening.

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We would hear the birds singing all around us.

2. moving in a circle SYN round British English:

- ^{*} A helicopter was circling around, looking for somewhere to land.
 - They danced around the bonfire.

3. in or to many places or parts of an area SYN about British English:

- He wandered around the streets, looking in shop windows.
- ^{*} There are over 40 radio stations dotted around the country.
- When I finished college, I travelled around for a while.
- Since it's your first day here, would you like me to show you around?
- We started looking around for somewhere to live.

4.

a) British English in an area near a place or person SYN round:

- Is there a bank around here?
- When you've been around a person long enough, you start to know how they'll react.
- the new housing areas in and around Dublin
- Catherine was the most beautiful girl for miles around.
- b) if someone or something is around, they are somewhere in the place where you are:
 - Why is there never a policeman around when you need one?
 - Jake went down to the bar, but there was no one around that he knew.
 - Is your dad around?
 - The list is somewhere around.

5. British English on the other side of something, or to the other side of it without going through it or over it SYN round:

- If the gate's locked, you'll have to go around the side of the house.
- There's a door around the back.
- ^{*} She ran <u>around the corner</u> and straight into the arms of John Delaney.
- 6. used to say that someone or something turns so that they face in the opposite direction SYN round British English:
 - ^{*} Rex spun around and kicked the gun from her hand.
 - Slowly he turned the boat around towards the open sea.
- 7. (also around about) used when guessing a number, amount, time etc, without being exact:
 - There must have been around 40,000 people in the stadium.
 - The whole project will probably cost around \$3 million.
 - Most guests started to make their way home around about ten o'clock.

8. existing SYN about British English:

- That joke's been around for years.
- ^{*} Manson has a reputation as one of the most stylish designers around.
- 9. if something is organized around a particular person or thing, it is organized according to their needs, wishes, ideas etc:
 - Why does everything have to be arranged around what Callum wants to do?
 - ^{*} Their whole society was built around their religious beliefs.

10. used to show that someone spends time in a place without doing anything useful SYN about British English:

- ^{*} I've been waiting around all morning.
- They could be seen hanging around street corners, watching the girls go by.
- 11. a way around a difficult situation or problem is a way to solve it or avoid it SYN round British English:
 - We must find a way around these difficulties.
 - The company is expected to get around this problem by borrowing from the banks.

12. to other people or positions SYN round British English:

- Write your name on this list and pass it around.
- Someone's been moving the furniture around.

13. have been around (also have been around the block a few times) informal

- a) to have had experience of many different situations so that you can deal with new situations confidently: You could tell this guy had been around a bit by the knowing way he talked.
- b) to have had many sexual experiences used humorously
- **14**. *American English* used to show the length of a line surrounding something:
 - Redwood trees can measure 30 or 40 feet around.
- \Rightarrow fround¹, \Rightarrow get around (something) at fget around(1), \Rightarrow go around in circles at fcircle¹(5)

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• approximately more or less than a number or amount – used especially in technical or scientific contexts: The company had total revenues of approximately \$2 million. | The disease affects approximately 10% of the adult population.

• about more or less than a number or amount. 'About' is the usual word to use in everyday English: It costs about \$30 to get a visa. | There were about 50 people at the meeting.

• roughly /'rʌfli/ about – used when you are trying to give someone a general idea of the size, amount, or number of something: The two countries are roughly the same size. I Roughly how many miles do you travel a year?

• around about a number or time – used when you are guessing: I'll be there around 5 o'clock. | The BBC broadcasts around 2,000 radio dramas every year.

- somewhere /something in the region of *formal* about used with very large numbers or amounts: Last year he earned something in the region of \$60 million. I It costs somewhere in the region of £100,000 to train a new doctor.
- or so informal about used after a period of time, a number, or an amount: The journey takes an hour or so.
- circa /'s3 ka\$ 's3 d-formal about used with dates a long time ago in the past: The house was built circa 1530.

• or more used after a number or amount, when the total may be a lot more: A thirty-second commercial can cost £60,000 or more.

• upwards of more than a number or amount: The aircraft can carry upwards of 400 passengers.

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