

**Intermediate 3**  
**Unit 5 Dialog**  
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## **Running Errands**

**errand** = a short journey to do something for somebody

**do / go on / run an errand**

- *John went on an errand for his mom.*
- *John was running an errand for his mom.*

**send somebody on an errand**

- *John's mother sent him on an errand.*

*Andy is going to run some errands on his lunch hour. He asks his friend if he needs anything.*

**on his lunch hour** = at lunch time; during lunch break

**if** = whether

**Direct Speech:** Andy asks Bob, "Do you need anything?"

**Indirect Speech:** Andy asks Bob if he needs anything.

**Andy:** I'm going downtown. Can I get you anything while I'm out?

I'm going downtown. = I am going to the city center. = I am going to the central business district.

✗ He is going **to** downtown.

✓ He is going downtown.

✗ I am **in** downtown now.

✓ I am downtown now.

**Point:**

When "downtown" is an adverb, we cannot use a preposition before it. But when it is an adjective, we can use a preposition for the following noun.

Examples:

- Does this bus go to downtown Chicago?
- I am in the downtown area now.

**while** = when

**Bob:** Do you think you might go by a drugstore?

**Andy:** I could. What would you like?

**Bob:** Please have this prescription filled for me.

**go by** = go past; see on your way

**drugstore** = pharmacy, the chemist's

**fill a prescription** = get a prescription and provide drugs

- *The pharmacist fills many prescriptions at the drugstore every day.*

*Have this prescription filled for me. = Have the pharmacist fill this prescription for me.*

**Andy:** Sure, I'd be glad to. Is that all?

**Bob:** No, just one more thing. Please drop off this film at a camera shop.

**sure** = certainly, of course

*drop off this film at a camera shop = deliver this film to a camera shop*

**Andy:** Ok, should I have it developed?

**Bob:** Yeah, I'd really appreciate it. I've been meaning to take it for a month.

**develop a film** = make the photos on the film of an analog camera appear on paper

*Should I have it developed? = Should I have the photographer develop it?*



**Camera Films**



**Developing Films at a Laboratory**

*I'd really appreciate it. = I'm thankful to you for it.*

**mean** = want

*I've been meaning to ... = I've wanted to ...*

**Full Text:**

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**Sample Summary:**

Andy plans to run errands during his lunch break. He is going downtown. He asks his friend Bob if he can do anything for him there. Bob wants Andy to have a prescription filled at a drugstore. He also asks him to drop off a film at a camera shop to be developed. Andy agrees to do them for Bob.

**Source:**

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