



# Pay vs Pay for

## PAY something

We use pay something or someone when we talk about what we or who we give money to. You pay a person, or you pay a bill or invoice. **You pay money you owe for previously received services or goods:**

- We always pay the phone bill on the 20th of the month.
- At the restaurant, you pay the cashier near the door.
- Mike bought a house because he got tired of paying her landlord.
- We paid the electricity bill. / We paid the rent. / We paid £50.

**We've got all these bills to pay!!**



**I got this one!! I insist!!  
Let me pay for dinner!!**



## PAY FOR something

We use pay for when we talk about the event or item we give money for and receive at the same time. Usually **you pay for work, services or goods that you receive at the time of paying:**

- We paid £500 for the room. / He paid for the meal.
- We got paid for our services. / We pay £40 for the Gym.
- I paid for the concert tickets online.