



GIVING ADVICE

‘ SHOULD ’

What should I do?

- **'Should'** is a modal verb which is followed by **infinitive without 'to'**, that is, bare infinitive, and it is used **to give advice** when someone tells us they have a certain problem.

E.g. A: I have a terrible stomachache!!

B: Mmmm... You shouldn't eat hot food.

Give me some advice...

- Notice that the noun **`advice`** is **uncountable** in English, therefore, it will be used with a singular verb.

E.g. Advice is always welcome.

If we want to make **`advice`** countable, we will use the expressions: either **`a piece of advice`** or **`a word of advice`**.

E.g. I could give **some pieces/words of advice**.

Notice that the **verb `advise`** is spelt with an **`s`**.

I need some words of advice...

What should I do?

1st problem: some friends of mine are coming around for dinner and they're vegetarians but I've never cooked a vegetarian meal. What should I do?


Expressions:

- I consider you should (n't)...
- I don't think you should...
- Why don't you...? / You could...

- **2nd problem:** it's my best friend's birthday tomorrow and I haven't bought them a gift yet. At the moment, I'm really busy at work.
What should I do?


Expressions:


- I consider you should (n't)...
- I don't think you should...
- Why don't you...? / You could...

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- **3rd problem:** my neighbours next door have bought a pet dog and it's very noisy. It doesn't stop barking. Even, you can hear some barking late at night. It has become a serious problem because I have to wake up early and I can't sleep well. During siesta time, it also barks...

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Thanks a lot for
your helpful words
of advice!