

Unit 3 Home

Writing



Informal email: Giving Advice

1. Imagine that a friend has found a great flat to rent, but the rent is too high. Discuss the following suggestions, and put them in the order of how useful they are.

	borrow money to pay the rent
	negotiate a better price with the landlord
	advertise for a flatmate
	look for something cheaper elsewhere
	your own suggestion



2. You received this email from your American friend Mitch, who's going to spend a year in Lviv studying at university.

Hi,

Guess what! My long search for a home may be over. I've found a furnished flat I like near the centre of the city. There are two bedrooms, and one bathroom, but there's also a separate toilet.

The only thing is I'm not quite sure I'll be able to afford it on my own. Do you think it would be difficult to find someone to share it with? Do college students here often share a flat?

The landlord says he wants me to give him an answer by the end of next week. Please let me know what you think. Should I go for it or keep looking for something cheaper?

Take care!

Mitch

3. Write an email to Mitch, in which you:

- * explain where Ukrainian students usually live while they are at university,
- * tell him how you feel about sharing a flat,
- * suggest where Mitch could look for a flatmate.

Write an email of at least 100 words. Start your email in an appropriate way.

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4. Answer the questions.

- 1) Who are you writing to?
- 2) What is your relationship?
- 3) What does Mitch ask your advice about?
- 4) Have you or anyone you know ever had a similar problem?
- 5) Where do you think he/she should choose to live?
- 6) What advice would you give him/her?

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