

Should and shouldn't



To give advice we use **should** or **shouldn't** + base form.

I'm tired.

*You **should** go to bed earlier.*

Billy's got backache.

*He **shouldn't** play football.*

It's a lovely day. You **shouldn't** play computer games all day.
You **should** play outside.



1 Match problems 1–9 with advice a–i. Write sentences with **should** or **shouldn't**.

- 1 I can't study for my exams.
- 2 I'm getting fatter.
- 3 I've got a headache.
- 4 I haven't got any money.
- 5 I've got a cold.
- 6 I've lost the tickets.
- 7 I haven't got any energy.
- 8 I've got a sore throat.
- 9 I think the lessons are difficult.

- a Look for them.
- b Drink some hot lemon.
- c Sit in the library.
- d Do more exercise.
- e Drink some water.
- f Get a job.
- g Talk to your teacher.
- h Eat something.
- i Don't talk.

- 1 c You should sit in the library.
- 2 _____
- 3 _____
- 4 _____
- 5 _____
- 6 _____
- 7 _____
- 8 _____
- 9 _____

2 Look at the list. Write sentences with **should** or **shouldn't**.

Tips for healthy living

- Don't go to bed too late.
- Eat more fruit and vegetables.
- Don't eat lots of sweets.
- Relax.
- Don't work too hard.
- Walk to school.
- Don't catch the bus all the time.
- Go to bed early.
- Don't drink fizzy drinks.
- Do lots of sport.

- 1 You shouldn't go to bed too late.
- 2 _____
- 3 _____
- 4 _____
- 5 _____
- 6 _____
- 7 _____
- 8 _____
- 9 _____
- 10 _____

3 Write sentences. Use **should** or **shouldn't** and the words in brackets.

- 1 Billy wants to save money. (spend all his pocket money)
He shouldn't spend all his pocket money.
- 2 Fin has hurt his leg. (play football)
He _____
- 3 Linda wants to get a good school report. (work hard in class)
She _____
- 4 Penny wants to be healthy. (buy sweets and biscuits)
She _____
- 5 William wants to help his Mum and Dad. (tidy his room)
He _____
- 6 The teacher wants her students to learn a lot every day. (give lots of homework)
She _____
- 7 The children want to speak good English. (practise a lot)
They _____
- 8 Helen doesn't want any breakfast. (take an apple to school)
She _____