Asking for and giving advice

44.3

To ask for advice, use phrases such as:

- ***Do you think I should*** *see a doctor?* ***I need some advice about*** *healthy eating.*

To ask for information, use phrases such as:

- ***Can/Could you tell me*** *where the railway station is?* ***I'd like some information about*** *English classes.* ***Where can I find some information about*** *hotels?* ***Can you show me how to*** *use this camera?*

To make a suggestion, use:

- ***You could*** *try asking Petra.* ***Why don't you*** *talk to him about it?* ***Why not*** *look for a better job?*

To give stronger advice, use:

- ***It's a good idea to*** *wash the fruit before you eat it.* ***You should*** *try to improve your English.* ***You really should*** *ask him to leave.*

To give very strong advice, use:

- ***You must*** *always lock the door.* ***You mustn't*** *go out after dark.*

Exercise 3 44.4

Put these sentences in order to make two dialogues.



1 ____ OK, here's a timetable.

____ It's a good idea to look on the internet, to get the best prices.

____ Thanks. Can you tell me where to buy the tickets?

1 I'd like some information about trains from London to Edinburgh, please.



2 ____ Why don't we meet in the park later and I can show you how to do it?

1 Anna and I are going camping next month, but I've never been before, so I need some practical advice.

____ I can email you a list of the things you'll need if you like.

____ That would be great, thanks. I really need some clear instructions about how to put up the tent.

Exercise 4

Match each question (1-6) with the advice given (a-f).

1 Where can I find out about guitar lessons?
2 I've bought a coffee machine, but I can't understand the instructions.
3 Do you think we should go to the station now?
4 I need some practical advice on saving money.
5 Could you suggest somewhere nice to eat?
6 Where can I find some information about cameras?

a I'm not sure – let's check the timetable.
b This website has lots of tips to help you spend less.
c You could try asking Larissa – she knows a lot about photography.
d Why not try the new restaurant in the old town?
e I'll come over later and show you how to use it.
f I have a list of teachers, but it's not up-to-date.

Use the words you've learned...

1 **You have just arrived at a hotel in a new city. Ask for information about the hotel and the city.**
2 **Invent a problem that you have. Describe your problem and ask a friend for advice.**
3 **Invent a problem that a friend has. Give your friend some advice.**

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