

Grammar : Suggesting

LET'S

WHY NOT

HOW ABOUT

MAYBE

Read the dialogue :

Amy: What are we going to do today?

Rachel: *Maybe* we could watch a scary movie?

Amy: *Why not!* This is a good idea. *Why don't you* set up the DVD player?

Rachel: Sure, but what movie are we watching? Any idea?

Amy: *How about* The Sixth Sense?

Rachel: Oh yes! You know what? *We should* make some popcorn too.

Amy: *Let's* do it!

=> Dans ce dialogue, les deux personnes se font des suggestions.

Comment ces répliques sont-elles formulées?

1. *Let's* + base verbale
2. *Why* + *don't* / *doesn't* + sujet + base verbale
3. *How about* + nom (groupe nominal ou base verbale + ING)
4. *Maybe you should* / *could* + base verbale

Training time:

Complete the following ideas for a Halloween party:

maybe you could - let's - - why don't we - why don't you - how about - how about - what about -
maybe you should - let's - maybe you should - maybe you could - Let's

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| a) | going treat or treating? |
| b) | put on scary costumes! |
| c) | throw a party! |
| d) | renting a scary movie. |
| e) | buy sweets. |
| f) | decorate a house. |
| g) | cook monster cookies? |
| h) | carve some Jack o'lanterns out of pumpkins. |
| i) | make some paper bats? |
| j) | buying a plastic skeleton? |
| k) | put candles all over the house. |
| l) | choose some spooky music. |