

# GIVING ADVICE: ADVICE or ADVISE

1 Look at the words and phrases below

bad / good / practical / useful  
advice  
advice about [something]  
to take / follow [someone's]  
advice  
to ignore [someone's] advice  
to advise someone [to do  
something]  
to advise against [something]  
advisable

1A What's the difference between advice and advise?

*Advice* is a noun and means a suggestion about what someone should do. It is uncountable:

*Let me give you some ..... stay away from Margot.*

*She gave him a lot of ..... but I don't think he listened.*

If we want to use *advise* in a countable way, then we use the phrase *a piece of* .....

*I have two pieces of advice for you about the holiday.*

We use the verb ..... to mean 'to give someone advice':

*I strongly advise you to lose weight.*

*They finally did what we advised.*

1B Which of the phrases mean(s)

..... not to listen to somebody's advice?

..... do what somebody has advised you to do?

1C How do you say 'advisable' in your language?

3 Complete the sentences with the phrases from exercise 1. Use the correct verb forms.

1 I've told Peter he shouldn't post photos like that, but he has always ..... my .....

2 Should I buy a tablet or a laptop? Can you give me some ..... what's better?

3 He wants to become a web designer. His dad has ..... him to take a course. He should ..... that .....

4 My uncle has a heart problem. This web page ..... fatty foods.