

When we make suggestions in English, some suggestions take the **infinitive form** of the verb and others use the **-ing** or **noun** form. Here are some examples:

Suggestions (infinitive form)	Suggestions (-ing or noun form)
<p>Why don't (subject)...?</p> <p>Shall (subject)...?</p> <p>Let's...</p> <p>I suggest (subject)...</p> <p>Examples: Why don't we <b>visit</b> a museum? Shall we <b>have</b> a picnic? Let's <b>meet</b> at the cinema. I suggest we <b>arrive</b> early.</p>	<p>What about...?</p> <p>How about...?</p> <p>I suggest...</p> <p>I recommend...</p> <p>Examples: What about <b>visiting</b> a museum? How about <b>a picnic</b>? I suggest <b>meeting</b> at 4 o'clock. I recommend <b>taking</b> a taxi.</p>

**A. Complete the suggestions with the correct form of the verb in brackets.**

1. Why don't we ..... (have) a picnic?
2. I suggest ..... (go) for a run on the beach.
3. Shall we ..... (visit) a museum?
4. Let's ..... (book) a hotel near the beach.
5. How about ..... (have) a massage?
6. I suggest we ..... (go) to Spain in the summer.
7. What about ..... (take) a group tour?
8. I recommend ..... (try) that Mexican restaurant.



**B. Write the phrases for saying yes or no to a suggestion in the correct category.**

I'd rather not.

I'd love to!

That sounds good/great.

I'm sorry, I don't think I want to.

Yeah, sure.

That's a good/great idea!

Unfortunately, I can't.

I wish I could, but...

Saying yes	Saying no

**C. Fill in the gaps in the suggestions dialogue. Use one word in each space.**

A: I'm so excited to be on holiday in Barcelona. Why don't we (1) ..... shopping in the city center?

B: That sounds (2) ..... After shopping, (3) ..... about going surfing?

A: No, I'd (4) ..... not. I don't like surfing. I (5) ..... relaxing on the beach instead?

B: Yes, that's a (6) ..... idea. And for dinner, (7) ..... go to a traditional Spanish restaurant.

A: I'd (8) ..... to. (9) ..... we look online for a good restaurant?

B: Yeah, (10) .....