

advice

1 Verb + advice

Use the correct form of these verbs:

give ignore take turn to welcome

1. If you had my advice, you wouldn't have lost all your money.
2. Can I you a piece of advice?
>Sure. Any advice would be greatly appreciated.
3. Matt knows what he's talking about. He has a lot of experience in dealing with this kind of situation so we can't afford to his advice.
4. We're not sure if our plan to start up a new fast-food restaurant in this area is likely to succeed or not and we would your advice on the matter.
5. Jim had no close friends, so he had no one to for advice when he needed it most.

Mark the following sentences:

I if it means 'ignoring advice'

G if it means 'giving advice'

T if it means 'accepting advice'

1. He simply won't listen to any advice from me.
2. He just follows his parents' advice blindly.
3. They just completely disregarded my advice.
4. My offer of advice is still open.
5. Sam's 16 and is actually very good at taking advice.
6. Heed my advice – or take the consequences!

2 Prepositions with advice

Use the following prepositions in the sentences:

against on to

1. He went back to work the advice of his doctor. He should have stayed off longer.
2. I bought some technology shares the advice of my brother, who's an accountant.
3. We went to India in July the advice of all our friends who told us to wait till February when the weather would be cooler.
4. Can you give me some advice where to find a good hotel in Rome?
5. My advice you would be to go and see your solicitor first before doing anything.
6. Here's a leaflet with some good advice starting your own business.

Go back and underline all the complete prepositional expressions.

3 Common adjective collocations

Use the following adjectives in these sentences:

contradictory advice friendly advice
impartial advice professional advice
sound advice unsolicited advice

1. The legal system is so complex nowadays that it is often impossible to understand it without
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2. I often ask my teacher for advice when I have a big decision to make. He's full of
....., based on common sense.
3. I've been given by two different financial advisors – one told me to sell my shares while the other told me to hold onto them. What am I supposed to do?
4. I wouldn't say anything to him. He doesn't like He'll just tell you that if he needs your advice he'll ask for it!
5. It's really difficult to get nowadays, but your solicitor is bound by rules to give this kind of help.
6. You might not want to hear this, John, but as somebody who knows you well and cares about you, can I give you some
– I really don't think Mary's the right woman for you.

Notes

1. In 2-4 and 2-6 'about' is also possible.
2. In 3-2 you could also say 'good advice'.
3. You can 'ask' someone's advice or 'ask for' advice:
Ask Stuart's advice about where to stay in Paris.
I wouldn't ask him for advice on where to eat!
4. Note these expressions about giving advice:
I'd appreciate any advice you can give me.
Let me give you a piece of advice.
5. Note this more formal expression:
Before you write to your landlord, you should seek proper legal advice.
6. We use the expression 'a word of advice' to warn someone:
A word of advice. I'd keep away from Susan.
She's trouble! Take it from one who knows!