

1. Match the following expressions then write 'accepted' or 'declined':

Why don't we go to the cinema?
How about going to the souk?
How do you feel about playing football?
Let's prepare couscous.

a. I'm sorry, I'm sick, I can't play now.
b. That's a great idea!
c. I'm sorry, I have seen that film before.
d. Sure, why not! I need to buy some vegetables.

2. Fill in the chart using the following expressions:

1. Why don't we ... ?	13. No, I don't want to.	25. I quite understand.
2. That's a good idea.	14. Yes, but...	26. I dislike...+ing ...
3. Why not?	15. It's a great idea!	27. That sounds like a good idea.
4. What about...+ing ?	16. It's a bad idea!	28. I suggest that...
5. Sorry, I can't.	17. How about...+ing ?	29. Does it matter if...?
6. Let's ...	18. Fancy ...+ing ?	30. Shall we... ?
7. Sure, I'd love to!	19. We could always...	31. What an awful idea!
8. I'm afraid I can't..	20. It would be nice to...	32. What a great suggestion!
9. Would you like to... ?	21. Yes, of course!	33. Sure, why not!
10. I'd love to, but...	22. No, I'd rather not.	34. It doesn't look like a good thing to do.
11. How do you feel about...?	23. Yes, with pleasure.	
12. No, let's not.	24. I don't feel like it.	

Making suggestions	Accepting suggestions	Declining suggestions

3. Use the following cues and write a short dialogue, then act it out:

Speaker A: You love movies and you can't wait to see the new action film this weekend.

Speaker B: You hate action films and would rather do something different (outside if possible). You love any type of sport and would be willing to play football / basketball.

Both Speakers: Try to come to some type of agreement that fits both your personalities.

Making and responding to suggestions

Suggestions

The following English phrases and expressions are all used to make suggestions and give advice to people.

Making suggestions:

- Let's revise our lessons.
- What about going to the cinema tonight?
- How about playing cards?
- Why don't we do our homework?
- Couldn't we invite your grandmother to our party?
- Shall we have a walk along the river?
- What would you say to a cup of coffee?
- Don't you think it is a good idea to watch TV?
- Does it matter if we use your car?

Accepting suggestions:

- Ok. Yes, let's.
- Yes, I'd like to.
- Yes, I'd love to.
- What a good idea!
- Why not?
- Yes, with pleasure.
- Yes, I feel like taking a walk.
- That sounds like a good idea.



Refusing suggestions:

- No, let's not.
- No, I'd rather not.
- I don't feel like it.
- I dislike going for a walk.
- What an awful / bad idea!

Things to remember about suggestions:

1. The verb "suggest" can be followed by either:

- should + verb = I suggest (that) we should go to the theater.
- a verb (in the subjunctive form) = I suggest (that) we go to the movies.

2. "That" is optional:

- "I suggest that we should visit Paris."
- "I suggest we should visit Paris."

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