

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 *advice* 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.