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SPEAKING

Making suggestions

1 Translate the phrases into your own language.

SPEAKING BANK

Making suggestions

- Do you fancy (going) ...? _____
- Let's (go) ... _____
- How about (going) ...? _____
- We could (go) ... _____
- (I think) we should (go) ... _____
- What about (going) ...? _____
- Why don't we (go) ...? _____

Agreeing with suggestions

- (That's a) good/great idea! _____
- (That) sounds good/great! _____
- Why not! _____

Disagreeing with suggestions

- (I'm sorry) I'm not keen on ... _____
- I don't really like ... _____
- I'd rather (go) ... _____
- I'm not sure about that. _____
- Let's (go) ... instead. _____

2 Choose the correct responses.

- I think we should stop for a break. We've already walked for hours.
I'd rather keep going. / That sounds good. My feet hurt and I'm thirsty.
- Let's go ice skating. I haven't done it for years.
Why not! / I'm sorry, I'm not keen on ice skating. Can we get the bus there?
- What about visiting Grandma this weekend?
I'm not sure about that. / Good idea! I've got lots of homework to do and I'm going to a party.
- Do you fancy having a BBQ in the garden?
Let's get a Chinese takeaway instead. / Sounds great. Have we got any sausages?
- Why don't we invite Naomi to the party?
I don't really like Naomi. / That's a great idea. She's so arrogant.
- How about going to the school disco with me?
Great idea! / I'd rather go on my own. Sorry.

3 Complete the suggestions with the infinitive or -ing form of the verbs in brackets. Then match the suggestions with replies a-f.

- Why don't we go (go) out for dinner tonight?
- Let's _____ (fly) to Spain and have a few days in the sun. There are cheap flights at the moment.
 - How about _____ (sit) down for ten minutes? I need a rest.
 - We could _____ (do) our homework together. You could help me.
 - I think we should _____ (camp). It's cheaper than staying in a hotel.
 - Do you fancy _____ (cook) fish tonight? We should have something healthy.
 - What about _____ (buy) Dan a book for his birthday?
- To be honest, I'd rather have steak.
 - That's a good idea. I am better at Maths than you.
 - Why not! Has he read the new J.K. Rowling novel?
 - That sounds great. There are some seats over there. Do you want a coffee?
 - I'm sorry, I'm not keen on sleeping outside. We could look for a cheap hostel.
 - We went there last year. Let's go to Croatia instead.
 - I'm not sure about that. We've already eaten out twice this week.

4 Complete the dialogue. The first letters are given.

- Lydia:** I can't believe I didn't win the swimming, Sophie. All that training and I was only fifth!
- Sophie:** Don't worry, Lydia. There'll be other races. **Why don't** we do something fun to cheer you up? **1W** _____ **a** _____ going for ice cream?
- Lydia:** **2I** don't **r** _____ like ice cream. I'd **3r** _____ go shopping.
- Sophie:** **4T** _____ a good **i** _____. I need something new to wear for the party on Saturday.
- Lydia:** **5D** _____ you **f** _____ going to the new shopping centre? There are sales at the moment, I think.
- Sophie:** **6W** _____ **n** _____? – and then we **7c** _____ go for a pizza or something.
- Lydia:** **8T** _____ **s** _____ great. Thanks, Sophie.
- Sophie:** My pleasure. Really! Let's get going then.

