
AGONY AUNT

GET READY FOR THE
SPEAKING AND WRITING TEST!



All the other children laugh at me at school and say my clothes are unfashionable. I feel really stupid. I ask my parents to buy me better clothes but they say they don't have enough money. What can I do?

I saw one of my classmates taking some exams from the office photocopier and put it in her bag. Do you think I should tell the teacher or not? My parents always taught me to tell the truth and that ? any stealing is wrong. What do you think?

I have been going out with my boyfriend for nearly a year and he doesn't seem interested in me anymore. I think he may be more interested in my best friend. I am worried now and feel ugly. Is there any hope for us?

I am 16 years old and I want to leave school this year. My parents say it is too early for me and that I should try to get into university. I think I am old enough to make my own decisions now. I want to work with my friend in McDonalds. Then, I can start earning money to buy things

This week is Carnival time. My friends decided to dress up like a mosquito but I prefer to wear my disguise of Princess Frozen. What should I do?

My best friend wants to travel to L.A. but I want to go to India. Do you think we can reach an agreement?

I saw the room of my dreams on an online magazine and I would like to redecorate mine. However, it's a bit expensive and I don't have so much money. How can I get this perfect room?

My friend's birthday is on the 23rd December, two days before Christmas Day. I doubt if I could buy her a big present for the two days or two simpler presents for each day. What do you think?

I want to take part in two after-school activities, football and ballet lessons, but the problem is that they take place the same day at the same time. I don't know how to do both!

I want to lose weight and be fit. I know I need to exercise more and eat healthy, but I have no time for sport and I usually eat out at work. Since, I have time for nothing I can't cook as healthy as I wanted, and so I usually eat fast food or pre-cooked. What would you do if you were me?

Writing help!



Dear.....,

I'm sorry to hear that (refer to the topic you chose).....
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I agree it's difficult to.....(refer to the problem).....
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So, here's the plan (give a solution)
..... If you follow my advice, you will
.....

Yours,

.....(your name)

EXPRESSIONS to give advice.



You should/shouldn't... / If I were you, I would...
I'll tell you what, why don't you...?

What you can do is...

I suggest/recommend that you + infinitive - to

I suggest/recommend + gerund

Have you tried + gerund?

It's vital that you...

You simply have to...

more USEFUL expressions



That's a delicate/tricky situation.

Be subtle/tactful/diplomatic.

Bring it up casually.

Who is in the wrong?

Don't think twice about it!

Put your foot down.

I think you're making a mountain out of a molehill.

Don't make any rash decisions.

You have to face the problem.

Put yourself in his/her shoes.

Stay strong.

Go with your gut instinct.
