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What should I do?



You are having lunch with an old friend from school when your jealous boyfriend/girlfriend walks in.	You forgot your boyfriend/girlfriend's birthday and now he/she is outside your door.
You have a terrible memory. You forget absolutely everything.	You are a Shopaholic. You can't stop buying clothes.
Your car runs out of gas at 2 a.m. and you have no money with you.	You have left your books on the bus.
You have ruined your sister's favourite dress by getting ink on it.	You have a ghost in your house.
You did your homework, but your dog chewed it up. You don't think the teacher will believe you.	You can't stop watching television. Yesterday, you watched television for ten hours!
Your doctor has just told you that you only have twenty-four hours to live.	You have an exam tomorrow and you haven't done any revision.
You can't stop sneezing!	You have lost a library book.
You are in love with two people.	Your dog won't stop barking.

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In this group activity, students practice giving advice to their classmates.

Before class, make one copy of the worksheet for each group of four and cut as indicated.

Procedure

Write the following phrases on the board:

You should...

I think you should/ought to...

Why don't you...?

If I were you, I would...

You might try (verb+ing)...

Go through the language for giving advice with the class. Tell the students a problem and ask them to give you advice using the structures on the board.

Next, divide the class into groups of four.

Give each group a set of cards and ask them to put the cards face down in a pile.

Students take it in turns to turn over a card and explain the problem on the card to the group.

The other students listen to the problem and then give advice in turn.

Each student in the group has to give a different piece of advice.

The student gives the card to the person who gives the best piece of advice.

The student who collects the most cards is the winner.

When everyone has finished, students report back to the class on the best or worst piece of advice they received for each situation.