

B2.II

UNIT 3

Exercise 1

Study these rules

Use of advise, recommend, and suggest

We use **'advise'** when we want to tell somebody our opinion about what they should do in a specific situation. We use **'recommend'** when we suggest that someone do something in particular. We use **'suggest'** when we intend to mention something as a possible thing that must or might be done, used or thought about etc.

Remember that the structure is different as it requires an indirect object pronoun.

- **Subject + verb (advise) + indirect object pronoun (me, us, you,) + preposition (to) + verb.**

-I advise you to invest in the stock market.

However, both suggest and recommend follow a different structure.

- **Subject + verb (suggest or recommend) + (that) + subject + verb (subjunctive tense).**

-I suggest (that) you go swimming tomorrow with Mark.

-I recommend (that) you watch this film. It is very nice.

You should bear in mind that: Firstly, **'advice'** is the noun and **'advise'** is the verb. The noun stands for an opinion or suggestion about what a person should do. Secondly, **'recommendation'** is the noun and implies a suggestion about what should be done. Thirdly, **'suggest'** is the noun and stands for an idea about what a person should do or how should behave. Finally, the agreement of the verb **does not** change depending on the subject when it comes to 'recommend' and 'suggest'; in other words, 'she', 'he' or 'it' should never change and take **'S'** as in the **present simple** tense. Remember that this is the **subjunctive tense** and it is simply based on the base form of the verb.

Exercise 2

Choose the correct option for each sentence.

- May I _____ a white wine to go with this dish?
 1. Recommend
 2. Suggested
 3. Advice
- Christina _____ that we take the highway to get home earlier.
 1. Recommend
 2. Suggested
 3. Advice
- My agent _____ investing more money in real assets.
 1. Recommended
 2. Suggestion
 3. Advice
- The solicitor _____ his client to take legal action against his boss.
 1. Recommendation
 2. Advised
 3. Suggestion
- My sister loves to _____ me on dress code.
 1. Advice
 2. Suggest
 3. Advise
- I _____ that you take your medicine ASAP.
 1. Recommendation
 2. Suggest
 3. Advice
- Charlie _____ having dinner at the Indian restaurant in the neighborhood.
 1. Suggested
 2. Advise
 3. suggest
- The members of the Board of directors gave their _____ after announcing their resolution.
 1. Recommendations
 2. Suggestion
 3. Advices

- My mother _____ going out to have a drink.
 1. Advice
 2. Advise
 3. Suggested
- During snowstorms, people tend to drive. Meteorologists, however, _____ against it.
 1. Suggest
 2. Advise
 3. Recommend
- My parents always give me _____.
 1. Advise
 2. Advice
 3. Recommendation
- Could I make a/an _____?
 1. Advise
 2. Suggestion
 3. Recommending
- If you don't mind, can I give you a piece of _____?
 1. Advice
 2. Suggestion
 3. Recommend

Exercise 3

Correct the mistakes in the following sentences. Delete or add the necessary information:

1. Maria encouraged to me look for a place new.
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2. The Andersons invited all their friends to assist their anniversary celebration.
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3. Lou admitted she'd tried leaving early.
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4. She agreed that us needed to reconsider our plans.
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5. Lou admitted that she' had try for live early.
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6. She agreed that we did not needed to reconsider our plans.
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7. William denied to have had anything to do with her.
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8. Marge suggested to get up early in the morning.
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9. My friend offered to give a lift him.
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10. He refused to take a no as an answer.
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11. They accused to him of to cheat at the game.
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12. She blamed her boss for miss the bus.
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13. He apologized for to be being late.
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14. She insisted on to doing the washing up.
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Exercise 3

Find out about popular urban legends in your country. Then, write a letter to a friend giving details about an urban legend you know in detail. (150 – 180 words.)