



Highlight English

Just for you!

CLASS 3.23 Ask a friend.

- ***Would rather //not//*** and some other expressions (practice).



Listen to the problems of this people, discuss about different solutions.



Dear friend:

One of my best friends has a problem. She's ***always talking*** on the phone or ***texting*** people. She does this in class sometimes, and our teacher gets ***really angry***. When I try to call her, her phone is ***always busy***. Is there anything I can do or say to her that will make her change? I ***miss my*** friend.
Sarah

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Dear Friend:

I really enjoy studying English here in the U.K., but I also **really** miss my family and friends back home. I make one or two **international calls** every week to talk to my family back in my **home country**.

However, all the long distance calls are starting to get **really expensive**. I don't want to make collect calls and I don't want to stop calling my friends and family.

Is there any way I can continue to talk to them without **spending** so much money?

Clarice





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Mark

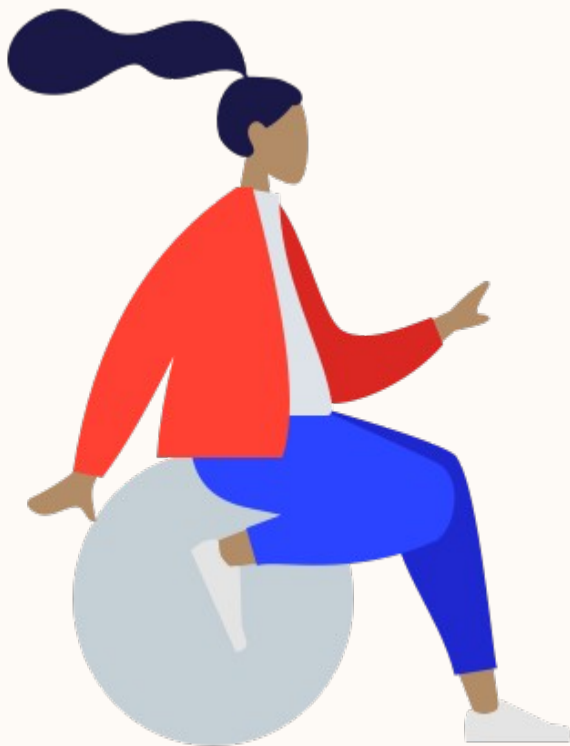
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Dear Friend:

I just **graduated** from high school and I should be very happy, but I'm not. All of my friends know what kinds of jobs they want. Some of my friends **are going** to study to become doctors, some are going to become engineers, some are going **to become** business people. My best friend Sarah is **even going** to become an astronaut! My problem is this: I have no idea **what kind** of job I want and no idea what I should study. How can I know what to do with the rest of my life? What can I do to **help me** decide what kind of job I want in the future?

Ariadne

Remember: Would rather (not) and some other expressions:

You can use the next expressions to give advice, check the little differences between them:

- **Had better (not).**
You'd better do something quickly
- **Ought to**
You ought to let them do the talking.
- **Might want to**
You might want to take a colleague with you.
- **Be going to have to**
I'm going to have to do something about it
- **Have got to**
Shes got to get a job.
- **Would rather (not)**
I'd rather (not) stay in my current job.

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You can also use the next expressions to give advice:

- *I think/I really think* you *need to/must/should...*
- *How about ...?*
- It is usually *a good idea* to ...
- My *suggestion/advice* is (to) ...
- *Why don't you ...?*
- *You could* (try) ...
- *You probably/definitely/really should ...*