

The Advice Clinic

Solving Everyday Dilemmas



Warm-up: Problem!

Your friend borrowed your favorite book a year ago and still hasn't returned it. You want it back.

What do you do?

Discuss with a partner.

Key Vocabulary & Phrases

dilemma

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A situation where you have to make a difficult choice.

Example: I have a dilemma: I was invited to two parties on the same night.

If I were in your
shoes...

**If I were in your shoes, I
would...**

A way to give advice by imagining you
are in the same situation.

Example: If I were in your shoes, I would talk to my boss
directly.

Have you
considered...?

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A polite way to suggest an idea (use with an -ing verb).

Example: Have you considered calling the restaurant to check?

It might be a
good idea to...

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A soft way to give a suggestion.

Example: It might be a good idea to write them a polite note.

On one hand...

On one hand... / On the other hand...

A phrase to show two sides (pros and cons) of an issue.

Example: On one hand, talking to him is direct. On the other hand, it could be awkward.

Activity 1: Dilemma Stations

Instructions

- 1. Make a pair.
- 2. Choose the dilemma.
- 3. Discuss solutions with your partner. Try to use today's phrases!
- 4. When I say "Change!", find a **new partner**.

Activity 2: Group Consensus

Instructions

- 1. Get into your group of 3 or 4.
- 2. Choose **ONE** dilemma your group found most interesting.
- 3. As a group, agree on the **single best solution**.
- 4. Be ready to explain **why** it is the best solution.

Wrap-up & Q&A

Exit Ticket

Please take a moment to fill out the feedback slip. Thank you!