

# ADVICE - GIVE AND RECEIVE

### **Advice Column**

Write a letter to an advice column with a problem you have (or imagine you have). Then, swap with a partner and write a response giving advice.

You:	

Dear Advice Column,

I'm having trouble with	(friend, family member, ex, etc.).
The problem is	
I've tried	, but it didn't work.
I'm worried that	
Please help me with some advice.	

Sincerely,

[Your Name]

#### **Advice Column:**

Dear	[Name],	
	I understand your problem with	
	Have you tried	?
	I think you should	·
	Remember,	
Good	luck, and I hope this helps!	
Since	rely,	

[Your Partner's Name]

# **Giving Advice with Modal Verbs**

Complete the sentences with the correct modal verb (should, ought to, must, can, could, might):

- 1. If you're feeling stressed, you \_\_\_\_\_\_ try meditation.
- 2. You \_\_\_\_\_\_ talk to your friend about your feelings.
- 3. You \_\_\_\_\_\_ apologize for what you said, it was hurtful.
- 4. If you want to improve your English, you \_\_\_\_\_ practice every day.
- 5. You \_\_\_\_\_\_ consider seeking professional help for your anxiety.
- 6. You \_\_\_\_\_\_ be more careful with your finances.
- 7. If you're not feeling well, you \_\_\_\_\_\_ go see a doctor.
- 8. You \_\_\_\_\_\_ try to be more open-minded.
- 9. You \_\_\_\_\_\_ set boundaries with your family.
- 10. If you want to achieve your goals, you \_\_\_\_\_\_ work harder.

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# Idioms: Giving Advice - Fix The Spelling

The letters in (brackets) are mixed/scrambled.

Put the letters in the right order to make a sentence.

**Example**: Actions (peska) louder than words.

Answer: Actions speak louder than words.

- 1. Don't cry over spilt (kiml).
- 2. Don't bite off more than you can (hecw).
- 3. *(gaHn)* in there. \_\_\_\_\_
- 4. Bite the *(llebut)*.
- 5. Bite your *(togenu).*
- 6. Don't count your chickens before they (hhtac).
- 7. A (dibr) in the hand is worth two in the bush.
- 8. Actions (espak) louder than words.
- 9. A (sesbling) in disguise.
- 10. A penny saved is a penny (neeard).

# **Teacher's Key**

## **Giving Advice with Modal Verbs**

Complete the sentences with the correct modal verb (should, ought to, must, can, could, might):

- 1. If you're feeling stressed, you **should** try meditation.
- 2. You **should** talk to your friend about your feelings.
- 3. You *must* apologize for what you said, it was hurtful.
- 4. If you want to improve your English, you **should** practice every day.
- 5. You *might* consider seeking professional help for your anxiety.
- 6. You ought to be more careful with your finances.
- 7. If you're not feeling well, you **should** go see a doctor.
- 8. You *could* try to be more open-minded.
- 9. You **should** set boundaries with your family.
- 10. If you want to achieve your goals, you *must* work harder.

# **Fix The Spelling**

- 1. Don't cry over spilt *milk.* Don't worry about something that can't be undone.
- Don't bite off more than you can chew.
  Don't say you will do more than you are able to do.
- 3. *Hang* in there. *Don't give up.*
- 4. Bite the *bullet.* Be strong enough to do something painful but necessary.
- 5. Bite your *tongue. Try not to say something that you really want to say.*
- 6. Don't count your chickens before they *hatch*. Don't make plans based on something happening until that thing happens.
- 7. A *bird* in the hand is worth two in the bush. Be happy with what you have, rather than risk losing everything by seeking to get more.
- 8. Actions *speak* louder than words. People are more likely to believe what you do rather than what you say.
- 9. A *blessing* in disguise. That something that appears to be a misfortune can have unexpected benefits.
- 10. A penny saved is a penny *earned*. It is wise to save money.