



Presentation

Use *should* for strong advice.

Affirmative and negative

I / You / He / She / It / We / They	should	buy that dress.
	shouldn't	

Yes/No questions

Should I buy that dress?

Wh- questions

What should I do?

Short answers

Yes, you should.

No, you shouldn't.

Should is a modal verb. This means:

- No third person *s*
Say *He should do it.* (don't say *He shoulds do it.*)
- No auxiliary *do*
Say *You shouldn't do it.*
(don't say *You don't should do it.*)
- No past tense
(don't say *You shoulded do it.*)
- No *to* before the verb
Say *You should do it.* (don't say *You should to do it.*)

Key vocabulary

Adjectives: awful, beautiful, great, horrible, terrible, terrific, ugly

Exercises

1 Comment on the advice. Use *That's true / not true* and *shouldn't*.

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| 1 You should smoke. | That's not true. You shouldn't smoke. |
| 2 You should take exercise. | That's true. |
| 3 You should eat healthy food. | |
| 4 You should drink a lot of coffee. | |
| 5 You should work twelve hours a day. | |
| 6 You shouldn't go on holiday. | |

2 Give advice. Use *should* / *shouldn't* buy and *it* or *them*.



- 1 That jacket's terrific. You should buy it.
- 2 Those trousers are awful. _____
- 3 These shoes are great. _____
- 4 That shirt is horrible. _____
- 5 This dress is beautiful. _____
- 6 Those ties are ugly. _____

3 Complete the conversation with *should* or *shouldn't*. Then listen and check.

- Joe: You work too hard. You ¹ should work less.
- Mark: Yes, but ...
- Joe: You ² _____ go on holiday.
- Mark: Yes, but ...
- Joe: And you ³ _____ drink all that coffee.
- Mark: Yes, but ...
- Joe: And you smoke? You ⁴ _____ stop now.
- Mark: Yes, but ...
- Joe: And you look terrible! You ⁵ _____ take more exercise.
- Mark: Yes, but ...
- Joe: And doughnuts! You ⁶ _____ eat healthier food.
- Mark: Yes, but ...
- Joe: Yes, but what?
- Mark: Oh, nothing.



4 Correct the mistake in each sentence.

- 1 I think you should to buy those shoes. _____
- 2 They don't should pay that much money! _____
- 3 Rita shoulds ask me first. _____
- 4 Do we should leave now or later? _____
- 5 Gerald should to do more exercise. _____
- 6 What shoulds he do about the problem? _____