UNIT 2: ADVICE

To advise: to give advice (plural noun)

a piece of advice (singular)

Rosa: I'm sick, what should I do?

John: You should go to the doctor.

Rosa: It's a good. Thank you for your advice.

John: Don't mention it.

Asking for advice:

What should I do?

What do you advice me to do?

What do you think I should do?

What must I do?

Giving advice:

You should + Verb/ should not + Verb

You must + Verb/ must not + Verb

If I were you, I would + Verb

How about + Verb + ING (suggestion)

Why don't + subject + Verb (suggestion)

(you/we)

Let's + Verb (suggestion)

Remarks:

Here are ways of asking someone's problem

You look sad, what's the problem?

You look unhappy, what's wrong with you?

You look terrible, what's the matter?

You look nervous, what's up?

Modal verbs:

a) Must - to have to

It expresses an obligation.

Ex 1 : You must go to the dentist.

Ex 2: We must not talk in the classroom.

We don't have to talk in the classroom.

If the oblgatoire is not strong or it is just an advice, we can use « should »

The contracted from of must not is mustn't

Should not shouldn't

b) Can - to be able to

It expresses a physical and an intellectual ability

Ex 1: Students can run (physical ability)

Students are able to run.

Ex 2: Students are able to speak English.

Students are able to speak English.

c) May - to be allowed to (permission)

It expresses a permission and a probability

Ex 1: May I go out please? (Permission)

Am I allowed to go out please?

Ex 2: Look at the sky, it may rain (probability)

(No equivalence)

The comparative and the superlative

a) The comparative

We use the comparative to compare:

- two animals
- two thing
- two persons

Comparative of superiority

More + long adjective + than

Short adjective + er + than

Ex 1: My sister is more beautiful than your sister.

Ex 2: A plane is farther than a train.

- Comparative of inferiority

Less + long adjective + than Short adj

Ex 1: You are less intelligent than your brother.

Ex2: Bema is less big than teacher.

- Comparative of equality

As + long adj + as Short adj

Ex 1: Your shirt is as white as snow.

Ex 2: Our uniform is as bleu as the sky.

b) The superlative

We use the superlative when we compare one thing, one animal, one person with others

The superlative of superiority

The most + long adjective

The + short adj + est

Ex 1: Tojo is the most handsome boy at our school.

Ex 2: The strongest man is Arnold.

The superlative of inferiority

The least + long adj

Short adj

Ex 1: RNM is the least interesting RADIO

The irregular superlative and comparative

Adjective	Comparative	Superlative
Good	Better than	The best
Bad	Worse than	The worst
Far	Farther than	The farthestThe furthest
Big	Bigger than	The biggest

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