

Expressions for Making Suggestions

Why don't we ... + present simple?

Let's ... + present simple

How about ... + present continuous?

Do you fancy ... + present continuous?

We could/should/can ... + infinitive without to

Perhaps we could ... + infinitive without to?

Shall we... + infinitive without to?

Would you like ... + infinitive with to?

Does anyone want ... + infinitive with to?

Why don't we go out for a walk?

Let's call John to see if he's free.

How about visiting to the National Gallery?

Do you fancy watching a film tonight?

We should visit Anna and Philip tomorrow.

Perhaps we could send them flowers?

Shall we invite the Davidsons too?

Would you like to join us?

Does anyone want to order a take away?

Possible responses

That's a great idea!

Why not?!

No, I don't feel like it

Or perhaps we could... instead

I'd prefer to...

I'm up for it!

I'll think about it

I'll check with my wife/husband

I'd love to!

It depends on...

Perhaps later/tomorrow...

That would be lovely!

<u>Availability</u>

Questions

Are you about next week?

What are you doing tomorrow?

What time shall we meet?

Can you come this afternoon?

When are you free?

Are you doing anything on Friday?

Responses

I haven't got time

I'm away on Monday

Perhaps I could meet you later

I'll check and get back to you

I'm really busy this week

I'm free all day