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Grammar Reference

“Should” and “Should not”

“Should” is used to give or ask for advice or to say that something is a good thing to do.

Example:

You should drink lots of water.

You should get enough sleep.

Form:

Subject + should + verb (base form) + ...

When something is not a good thing to do, we use the negative form of “should”.

Negative form

Subject + should + not + verb (base form) + ...

Example:

You should not smoke.

You shouldn't eat a lot of cheese.

Note: We also use “should” when something is not right or is not what you expect.

Example:

The price of this shirt is not right. It should be 30,000 Riel.