

Dating: the Dos and Donts
<http://www.archive.org/details/DatingDo1949>

1- Watch the first part of the video [00:00:00] to [00:02:28]

In this video, **the main character receives:**

- a letter from a friend
- a letter from his girlfriend
- a ticket for a party
- a ticket for a concert

So he must **choose « a date »**. This means he must

- decide when to go
- decide who to go with

A « date » refers to

- a person
- a day

The boy must make a decision.

Match the elements from the 3 columns below **to sum up the situations**

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Janice• Betty• Ann• The boy | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• is / is not• feels / doesn't feel• looks / doesn't look | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• awkward (= ill-at-ease)• bored• fun• good-looking• inferior• superior |
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Conclude: The boy finally decides to datebecause.....

2- Let's help the boy!

Work in pairs and **make a list of the things he should do** and the people he should see **to solve his problem**. Then report to the class.

Personal opinion: We think .../ We believe.../ We'd say.../
Advice: he should .../ he'd better .../ If I were him, I would.../ I advise him to.../

How to ask?

Match the elements on the left with the elements on the right **to make a question**

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Is it alright with you if.....• May I• How about...• Would you like....• Shall I.... | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• a date?• I have a date Saturday night?• pick you up about 8 o'clock?• speak to Ann?• speak to Mary please?• to go? |
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Which of the expressions are used :

- to ask for permission
- to suggest doing something or invite someone

Listen to « how-to-ask.mp3 » to check your answers and /or watch the second part of the video [00:02:29] to [00:05:55]

3- Your turn to date

You are now ready to date him or her. **Write a dating message for February 14th to someone you like.** Use an editor such as « Writer » or « Draw » from the www.openoffice.org pack to edit your message.