



英语教学课件系列

八年级(下)



Unit 4

**Why don't you talk to
your parents?**

Section A 1a-2d

What should they do?



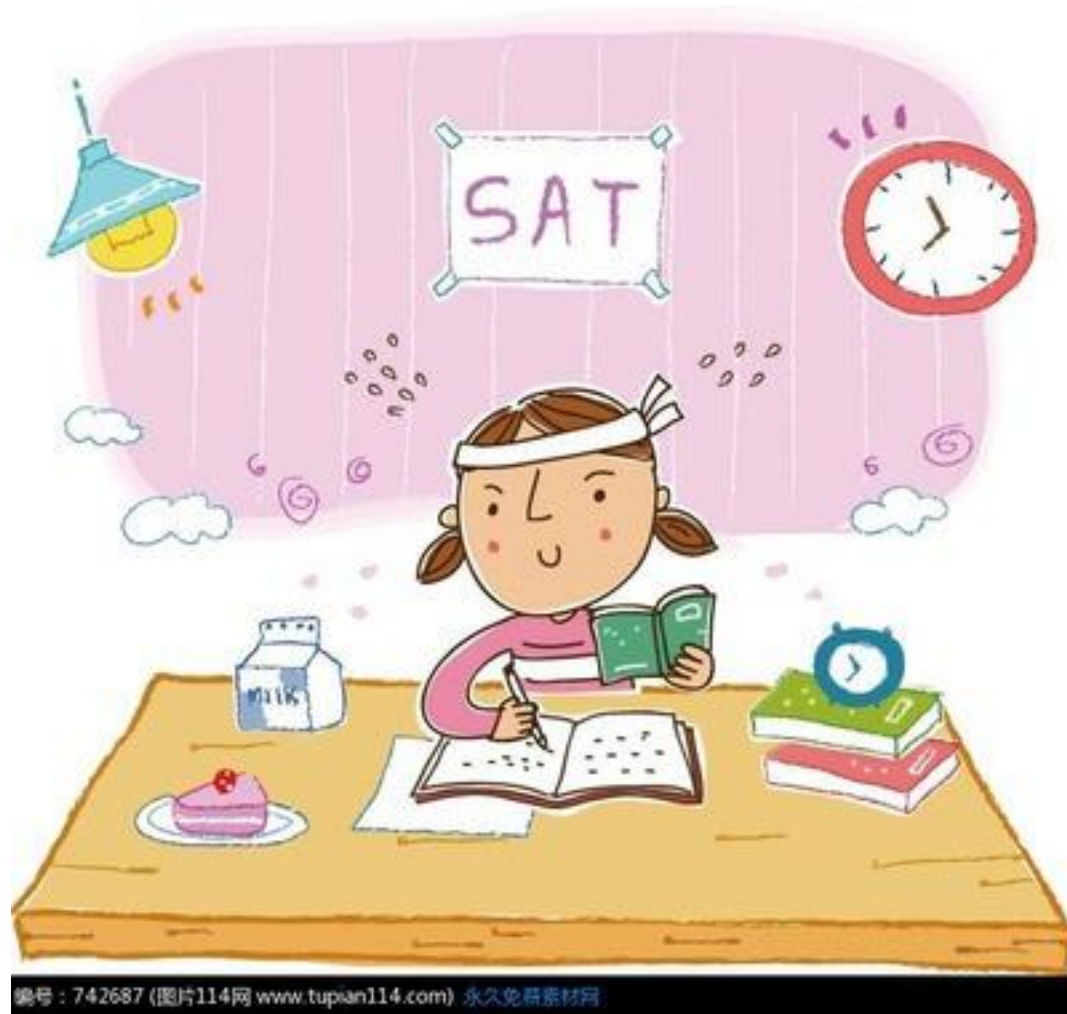
I have many problems with my study.



I have too much homework.



I have to stay up late to do my homework.



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I need to prepare for the test next week.



We have to study too much until night.

Suggestions

Why don't you...?

Why not...?

You should...?



1a Look at these problems. Do you think they are serious or not? Write them in the appropriate box.

- 1. I have to study too much so I don't get enough sleep.**
- 2. I have too much homework so I don't have any free time to do things I like.**
- 3. My parents don't allow me to hang out with my friends.**
- 4. I have too many after-school classes.**
- 5. I got into a fight with my best friend.**



Serious	Not serious

1b Listen and circle the problems you hear in 1a.



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1c. look at the problems in 1a and make conversations.

A: What's wrong?

**B; I'm tired because I studied until
midnight last night.**

**A: Why don't you go to sleep earlier this
evening?**

2a. Listen. Peter's friend is giving him advice. Fill in the blanks with *could* or *should*.



Advice

1. You could write him a letter. (*d*)
2. You should call him up. (*e*)
3. You should talk to him so that you can say you're sorry. (*a*)
4. You could go to his house. (*c*)
5. You could take him to the ball game. (*b*)

2b. Listen again. Why doesn't Peter like his friend's advice? Write the letters (a-e) next to the advice in 2a.



Why Peter doesn't like the advice

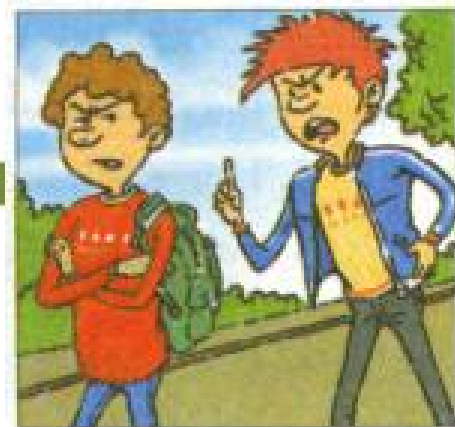
- a. It's not easy.**
- b. I don't want to wait that long.**
- c. I don't want to surprise him.**
- d. I'm not good at writing letters.**
- e. I don't want to talk about it on the phone.**

2c. Role-play a conversation between Peter and his friend.

A: What's the matter, Peter?

B: I had a fight with my best friend. What should I do?

A: Well, you should call him so that you can say you're sorry.



2d. Role-play the conversation.



Dave: **You look sad, Kim. What's wrong?**

Kim: Well, I found my sister **looking through** my things yesterday. She took some of my new magazines and CDs.

Dave: Hmm ...that's not very nice. Did she give them back to you?

Kim: Yes, but I'm still **angry with her. What should I do?**

Dave: Well, I guess you could tell her to say sorry. But why don't you **forget** about it so that you can be friends again? **Although she's wrong, it's not big deal.**

Kim: You're right. Thanks for your advice

Dave: No problem. **Hope things work out.**

3a. Look at this letter to a magazine and the reply from Robert Hunt, a school counselor. Complete the chart.



Dear Mr. Hunt,

My problem is that I can't **get on with my family. Relations between my parents have become difficult. They fight a lot, and I really don't like it. Its the only communication they have. I don't know if I**

should say anything to them about this. When they argue, it's like a big, black cloud **hanging over** our home. Also, my elder brother is not very nice to me. He always **refuses to** let me watch my favorite TV show. Instead he watches whatever he wants until late at night. I don't think this is fair. At home I always feel lonely and nervous. Is that normal?

What can I do?

Sad and Thirteen

Dear Sad and Thirteen,

It's not easy being your age, and it's normal to have these feelings. **Why don't you talk about these feelings with your family? If your parents are having problems, you should offer to help. Maybe you could do more jobs around the house so that they have more time for proper communication. Secondly, why don't you sit down and **communicate with** your**

**brother? You should explain that you don't
mind him watching TV all the time. However,
he should let you watch your favorite show. I
hope things will be better for you soon.**

Robert Hunt



Problems

Advice

- 1. Relations between my parents have become difficult.**
- 2. My elder brother is not very nice to me.**

- 1. Why don't you talk about these feelings with your family?**
- 2. Why don't you sit down and communicate with your brother?**

3b. Do you agree or disagree with Mr. Hunt's advice? Why?

I agree/disagree with his advice because ...

I agree with his advice because anyway, they are families, communication is the best way to hold them together and makes them get on well with each other.

3c Which words or phrases in the letters have the same or similar meanings as the following? Write a sentence using each word or phrase.

make sth. clear — explain

Can you explain to me how to do this math problem?

talk — communicate

The more you communicate with each other, the better you will know each other.

not allow — refuse

Tom refused to tell Mary the truth.

worried — nervous

She is very nervous to be late again.

get along with — get on with

We should get on will with each other.

Language points

1. **Although she's wrong, it's not big deal.**

尽管她做的不对，但没什么大不了的。

big deal 是英语中的一个固定搭配，表示“重要的事情或是状况”多用于非正式交流，做否定用法时，常说 **it's not a big deal.** 或 **it is no big deal.** 表示说话人并不认为某事有什么大不了的。

e.g. There's a soccer game on TV this evening but I don't have to watch it. It's no a big deal.

big deal 还可用于肯定和疑问结构中。例如：

It's a big deal, David, bigger than you know.

这事挺重要的，戴维，比你所知道的要重要。

What's the big deal? It's only a birthday, not the end of the world. 有什么了不起的？这不过是个生日，又不是世界末日。

2. Hope things **work out**.

希望事情会好起来。

这是一种常见的表达法，表示某些不如人意的
事情会随着时间的推移逐渐有所改变。句中

Work out为动词短语，表示“解决（问题）；
改善（状况）”之意。

e.g. Don't worry. Things will work out.

别担心，事情会慢慢解决的。

3. They fight a lot, and I don't really like it.

他们经常吵架，我真的不喜欢这样。

此处“**fight**”为“吵架，争吵”

e.g. Although they just got married, they're fighting almost every day.

fight 另有“打架”之意。例如：

e.g. My little brothers are always fighting.

e.g. As kids, we always fight for toys in the kindergarten, but now we're pretty good friends.

按要求写句子:

1. 你为什么不给他那本书啊?

Why don't you give her a book?

2. Why not come over to join us?

Why don't you over to join us?

3. How about the sweater?

What do you think of the sweater?

4. What's wrong?

What's the matter ?

翻译下列句子：

1. 你怎么了？

What's wrong with you?

2. 我没有足够的钱。

I don't have enough money.

3. 我不得不学到半夜，因而睡眠不足。

I have to study until midnight, so I don't get enough sleep.

4. 我和我的好朋友吵了一架。

I got into a fight with my best friend.

4. 我的衣服过时了.

My clothes are out of style.

5. 我父母想让我每天晚上都呆在家里.

My parents want me to stay at home every night.

6. 我应该怎么做呢?

What should I do?

7. 你应该买些新衣服.

You should buy some new clothes.

Homework

**Practice with your partner on how to give
Advice when you have problems, using “Why
Don’t you....?” Or “Why not....?”**

Thank You!