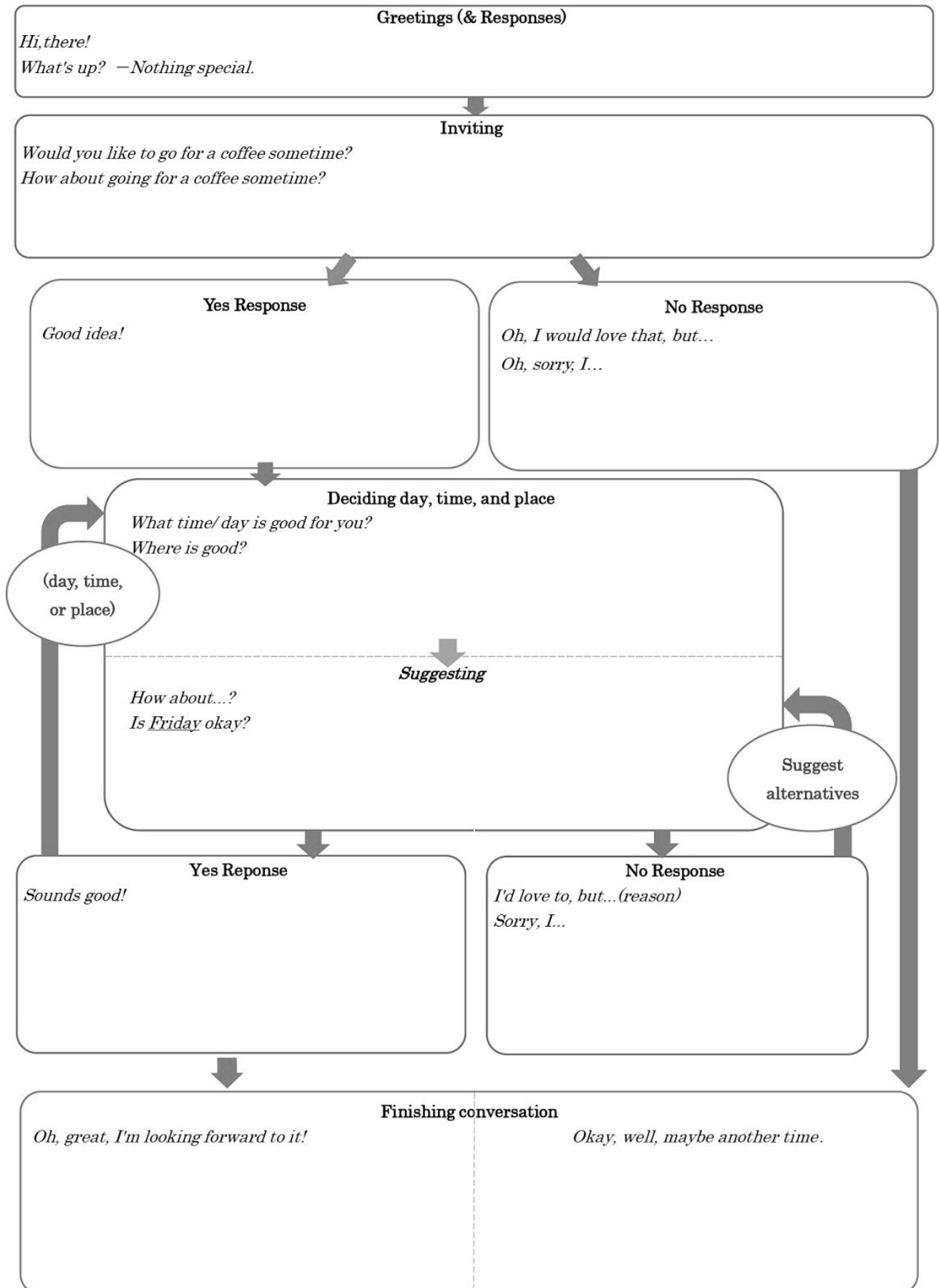


Invitation structure flowchart for Student B

Student B name: _____ Class: _____ Date: _____

Step 1: Fill in the following flow chart with language ideas from each step from the board.



Strategies and expressions for politely refusing an invitation:

1. **Delay/hesitate/pause:** *er; um; ah; well, oh*
2. **Express doubt:** *I'm not sure; I don't know*
3. **I want to, but:** *That's great, but...; I'd love to, but...*
4. **Mention obligation:** *I must do X; I'm expected in Y*
5. **Apology:** *I'm sorry; What a pity*
6. **Appeal for understanding:** *You see; You know*
7. **Make it non-personal:** *Everybody else; Out there*
8. **Give your reason:** *Too much work; No time left*
9. **Softeners:** *Really; Mostly; Sort of; Kinda; I guess not; Not possible*

Step 2: Let's do some roleplaying! Invite your partner to go out for coffee sometime. Using your schedule below, decide the place, day, and time. Make sure to use expressions from each stage.

Your schedule:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
10:00 ~ 16:00 <i>Classes</i>	10:00 ~ 16:00 <i>Classes</i>	10:00 ~ 16:00 <i>Classes</i>	10:00 ~ 16:00 <i>Classes</i>	10:00 ~ 12:00 <i>Classes</i>
17:00 ~ 20:00 <i>Part-time job</i>	Must do homework for Wednesday's class	<i>No plans</i>	17:00 ~ 20:00 <i>Part-time job</i>	12:00 ~ 13:00 <i>Meet with teacher</i>

Conversation starter:

A: Hi, (NAME). Nice to see you.

B: Good to see you too, (NAME). What's up?

A: Well, how about going out for a cup of coffee sometime?

Note: Like this, go through all six stages: *Greeting, Inviting, Responding, Deciding, Responding, and Finishing*

Step 3: Let's try it again! Switch roles and repeat.

Step 4: (Optional) Switch partners and repeat this activity with a different invitation, such as *studying together for a test, having lunch, or going out for karaoke*.
