

Reflection on giving constructive feedback

Name: _____ Class: _____ Date: _____

1. First, think about this question: *Why is getting advice sometimes like being slapped in public?* Have you ever had an experience like this? If you don't mind, please tell us about it.
2. What's the difference between these verbal actions? (Use dictionaries if that would help)
Giving a suggestion Giving advice Giving an order Criticizing
3. Write a summary of what you have learned about the art of giving constructive feedback to your classmates. Use the back of this paper if needed. Questions to consider are:
 - Is it always better to soften your comments? If so, when, and who with ?
 - What are some good expressions that soften your language?
 - How does feedback differ between writing and speaking?
 - What does this English expression mean? *A spoonful of sugar helps the medicine go down.* Explain the meaning and give some examples.