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SUGGEST

1. + *That*-clauses and <-ing> structures. Infinitive not used.

Her uncle suggested that she (should) get a job in a bank.
Her uncle suggested getting a job in a bank.

2. Indirect object.

Suggest is not normally followed by an indirect object without a preposition.

Can you suggest a restaurant to us?
NOT ~~*Can you suggest us a restaurant?*~~

3. Verb forms in *that*-clauses.

▪ Present and past tenses.

Her uncle suggests that she gets a job in a bank.
He suggested that she got a job in a bank.

▪ *Should* + bare infinitive.

He suggests that she should find a job in a bank.

NOTE. *Should* is not generally used in direct suggestions (*I suggest ...*).

I suggest that you get a job.
BETTER THAN ~~*I suggest that you should get a job.*~~

▪ Subjunctive (especially in AmE).

He suggests that she get a job in a bank.