0.3 Teenage types

Grammar: Conditionals • *wish* and *if only*
Vocabulary: Family • People

1 Match the personality adjectives with the descriptions.

assertive cheeky fussy immature selfish spoilt ~~thoughtful~~

0 Dionne always remembers birthdays and always buys wonderful, personal gifts for her friends. thoughtful
1 Helen is not afraid to say what she wants you to do and how she wants you to do it. _____
2 Violet won't eat any green vegetables, doesn't like any kind of fish or meat and will only drink one particular brand of bottled water. _____
3 Sean's father buys him whatever he asks for, regardless of the price. _____
4 Colin ate the whole cake himself, even after I asked him to save a piece for me. _____
5 David is often rude to his teachers. He doesn't seem to respect them very much. _____
6 Kevin can be so childish that sometimes it's hard to believe he is nearly eighteen years old. _____

2 Complete the second sentence to show you would like the situation or behaviour to be different.

0 My parents are so strict.
If only my parents weren't so strict.
1 Mum makes such a fuss if I'm slightly late.
If only Mum _____ such a fuss when I'm slightly late.
2 Unfortunately, I don't have a photographic memory.
If only _____ a photographic memory.
3 My girlfriend hasn't called me yet today.
I wish my girlfriend _____ me before bedtime.
4 There is no snow in the mountains, so we can't go skiing.
If only _____ snow in the mountains, we could go skiing.
5 I don't want to be here. I'd rather be anywhere else.
I wish _____ here. I'd rather be anywhere else.
6 Kerry taps her pen on the desk. It's annoying.
I wish Kerry _____ her pen on the desk. It's annoying.

3 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs in brackets. Use short forms where possible.

0 Careful! If you shake up the lemonade, it'll explode (explode) when you open it.
1 You _____ (never/remember) all the important stuff if you don't take notes during lectures.
2 Three hours with nothing to eat! I _____ (buy) a sandwich for the journey if there'd been time.
3 Kids in horror films are stupid. If I _____ (see) a house in the woods, I wouldn't go inside.
4 If I _____ (know) how difficult this book was going to be, I wouldn't have started it in the first place.
5 The cat's shy, but he will come to you if you _____ (sit) still and keep quiet.
6 If you really loved me, you _____ (not behave) so horribly towards me all the time.

0.4 Visitors from space

Grammar: Modal verbs for speculation
Vocabulary: Science

1 Complete the verbs and nouns in the text. Some letters are given.

A crew of near-universe [0]**inv**estigators has recently returned from the remains of a planet once known as Earth. The mission to [1]**exp**_____ this long dead world revealed some surprising results. The crew made detailed [2]**obs**_____ of the planet and [3]**ana**_____ samples taken from the ancient surface. Based on this, they have [4]**con**_____ that Earth did once support life.

Our [5]**res**_____ shows that this life [6]**evo**_____ from the seas that once covered a large part of the planet's surface. Although most of the planet has been destroyed, enough evidence has been [7]**pre**_____ to suggest that simple intelligent beings once lived there. Sadly, it appears they were responsible for the [8]**des**_____ of their own planet.

2 Choose the answer, A or B, that has a similar meaning to the underlined phrase.

1 I'm sure it isn't true that your cousin saw a UFO land on the school football field.
A Your cousin may not have seen
B Your cousin can't have seen
2 It's possible that human beings will visit the moon again one day.
A Human beings may visit
B Human beings must visit
3 I'm sure it's true that there is life somewhere else in the universe.
A There might be
B There must be
4 It's possible that life arrived on Earth when an asteroid crashed into the planet.
A Life could arrive
B Life could have arrived
5 Maybe it isn't true that we actually landed on the moon in 1969.
A We might not have
B We mustn't have

3 Complete the sentences with modal verbs and the correct form of the verbs in brackets. Sometimes more than one answer is possible.

0 They can't have come (not come) this way because there are no footprints in the snow.
1 All the other passengers got off but Vicky wasn't there. She _____ (miss) the train.
2 Derek still isn't here. I suppose he _____ (get) stuck in traffic or got lost on the way.
3 We _____ (be) there yet. It's 400km away and we only left home ninety minutes ago.
4 I _____ (arrive) late if the traffic is bad, so please start without me if I'm not there by nine.
5 I know you are worried that the parcel has got lost, but they _____ (not even/post) it yet.
6 Diane's shoes are s[illegible] _____

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