

GRAMMAR 7B – 1st and 2nd Conditionals

- A.** Complete the conversation with the correct form of the verbs in brackets to make second conditional sentences. **Use contractions where possible.**

Lily This house looks nice and it's just been built. If we ¹*moved* (move) in there, we ²*wouldn't need* (not need) to do any work.

Ben Yes, but it's on a really busy road. We ³_____ (have) a lot of problems with noise if we ⁴_____ (live) there.

Lily Well, how about this one? It has three bedrooms, so we ⁵_____ (have) enough space if our friends or family ⁶_____ (come) to stay.

Ben And the garden's huge! If my sister ⁷_____ (bring) the kids, they ⁸_____ (have) lots of room to play.

Lily Yes, and we ⁹_____ (can) have some great parties outside if the weather ¹⁰_____ (be) good.

Ben So, where is it exactly?

Lily It's just outside Oxford.

Ben Oxford? That's nowhere near my work. If we ¹¹_____ (move) there, it ¹²_____ (take) me over an hour to drive to the office.

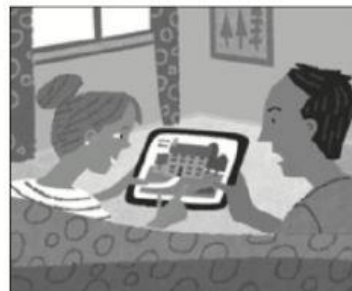
Lily Yes, but if you ¹³_____ (go) by train, it ¹⁴_____ (not take) that long. And you ¹⁵_____ (feel) much less stressed if you ¹⁶_____ (not have to) drive.

Ben Mm, I suppose so. How much is it?

Lily It says 'offers over £595,000'.

Ben Wow! I think the bank manager ¹⁷_____ (laugh) at us if we ¹⁸_____ (ask) to borrow that much money.

Lily Yes, I guess it would be too expensive. I'll keep looking for something cheaper.



- B.** Complete the sentences with a verb from the list in the first or second conditional. Write your answers in the column on the right. **Use contractions where possible.**

be buy find get go never finish not be ~~not hurry~~ reduce take

1 If they _____, they'll miss the bus.

don't hurry

2 If we had the money, we _____ a beautiful house in the country.

3 Lisa will have a lot of fun when she _____ to Germany to study next year.

4 Unless they _____ the price, they'll never sell their house.

5 If I were you, I _____ the dress back to the shop. It just doesn't suit you.

6 Annabel will look for a job as soon as she _____ her degree.

7 If it _____ so windy, we could go for a walk on the beach.

8 If you _____ some extra money in your bank account, would you spend it?

9 You _____ your homework if you keep chatting with your friends on Facebook.

10 Sarah _____ really upset if she doesn't find her necklace. We must help her look for it.

C. ACTIVATION

Test your memory. Cover the column on the right in **b** and look at the sentences. Read the sentences aloud with the verbs in the correct form.