

## 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 <sup>1</sup>*moved* (move) in there, we <sup>2</sup>*wouldn't need* (not need) to do any work.

**Ben** Yes, but it's on a really busy road. We <sup>3</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (have) a lot of problems with noise if we <sup>4</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (live) there.

**Lily** Well, how about this one? It has three bedrooms, so we <sup>5</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (have) enough space if our friends or family <sup>6</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (come) to stay.

**Ben** And the garden's huge! If my sister <sup>7</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (bring) the kids, they <sup>8</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (have) lots of room to play.

**Lily** Yes, and we <sup>9</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (can) have some great parties outside if the weather <sup>10</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (be) good.

**Ben** So, where is it exactly?

**Lily** It's just outside Oxford.

**Ben** Oxford? That's nowhere near my work. If we <sup>11</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (move) there, it <sup>12</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (take) me over an hour to drive to the office.

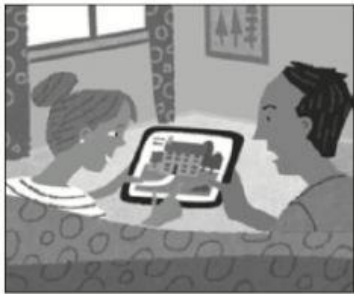
**Lily** Yes, but if you <sup>13</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (go) by train, it <sup>14</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (not take) that long. And you <sup>15</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (feel) much less stressed if you <sup>16</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (not have to) drive.

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

**Lily** It says 'offers over £595,000'.

**Ben** Wow! I think the bank manager <sup>17</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (laugh) at us if we <sup>18</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (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

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| 1 If they <span style="background-color: #cccccc; padding: 0 10px;"> </span> , they'll miss the bus.                                                     | <i>don't hurry</i> |
| 2 If we had the money, we <span style="background-color: #cccccc; padding: 0 10px;"> </span> a beautiful house in the country.                           | _____              |
| 3 Lisa will have a lot of fun when she <span style="background-color: #cccccc; padding: 0 10px;"> </span> to Germany to study next year.                 | _____              |
| 4 Unless they <span style="background-color: #cccccc; padding: 0 10px;"> </span> the price, they'll never sell their house.                              | _____              |
| 5 If I were you, I <span style="background-color: #cccccc; padding: 0 10px;"> </span> the dress back to the shop. It just doesn't suit you.              | _____              |
| 6 Annabel will look for a job as soon as she <span style="background-color: #cccccc; padding: 0 10px;"> </span> her degree.                              | _____              |
| 7 If it <span style="background-color: #cccccc; padding: 0 10px;"> </span> so windy, we could go for a walk on the beach.                                | _____              |
| 8 If you <span style="background-color: #cccccc; padding: 0 10px;"> </span> some extra money in your bank account, would you spend it?                   | _____              |
| 9 You <span style="background-color: #cccccc; padding: 0 10px;"> </span> your homework if you keep chatting with your friends on Facebook.               | _____              |
| 10 Sarah <span style="background-color: #cccccc; padding: 0 10px;"> </span> 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.