

# Cambridge Grammar

## Alternatives to If

Read the theory and solve the activities.

**1** Rewrite these sentences using *unless* instead of *if not*.

1 Sam will pass his driving test if he doesn't drive too fast.

*Sam will pass his driving test unless he drives too fast.*

2 They'll be here soon if their plane isn't delayed.

3 If you're not in a hurry, you could take the bus.

4 I won't be able to come to see you tomorrow if my brother can't give me a lift.

5 If the factory doesn't increase its production, it will close down.

6 If you don't write your address down for me, I'll forget it.

7 I won't stay in that hotel if it hasn't got a good restaurant.

8 If I don't hear from you, I'll meet you at six.

**2** Fill in the gaps with *in case* or *if*.

1 Elaine will post the letters if she goes out.

2 I'll go for a swim \_\_\_\_\_ I finish college early.

3 I'll teach you to windsurf \_\_\_\_\_ you teach me to play golf.

4 I always check my phone when I come out of school \_\_\_\_\_ I've missed a call.

5 I'll take Tim's address with me \_\_\_\_\_ I have time to visit him while I'm in London.

6 Our team will win the match \_\_\_\_\_ our goalkeeper plays like he did last week.

7 It's a good idea to back up your contacts list \_\_\_\_\_ you lose your phone.

8 I'll leave these films here \_\_\_\_\_ you have time to watch them.

**3**  Choose the correct words in these sentences by Cambridge First candidates.

1 The journey doesn't take too long unless / if it rains, and then it takes ages.

2 I think it's safe for children to go to school by bike *unless* / *provided that* they don't live too far away.

3 The police gave the orders to close all the doors *as long as* / *in case* the robbers were still hiding in the building.

4 Zoos should be allowed *unless* / *as long as* the animals are well looked after.

5 Bring your passport *provided that* / *in case* we go to Copenhagen on the boat.

6 People don't work more than ten hours a day *unless* / *provided that* it is really necessary.

*Teacher Daniela.*

