

Unit 8: Auxiliaries

Exercise 1

Write responses that contradict the statements in 1-5.

- 1 A: You never told me you'd been to Venezuela.
B: _____. You must have forgotten.
- 2 A: It looks a bit like a chicken.
B: _____. It looks more like a swan or something.
- 3 A: There's no way we'll get there on time.
B: _____ - if you just start driving a bit faster!
- 4 A: It never really gets that cold there.
B: _____. It actually snowed the year before last.
- 5 A: I don't think it's an endangered species.
B: _____. I read there were only 400 left in the wild.

Exercise 2

Rewrite the sentences below, adding an auxiliary in the correct place to emphasise the opinions.

- 1 That fish looks weird!

- 2 Don't get me wrong. I liked the country. I just found it a bit arid.

- 3 My son really enjoys going to the zoo.

- 4 The female of the species participates in the raising of the young, but it's predominantly a male job.

- 5 Tigers used to be quite common in the area, but they've been hunted to the verge of extinction.

- 6 He interrupts a bit, but his wife is worse!

Exercise 3

Add the correct auxiliaries. You will need to use negatives.

- 1 I'm not keen on zoos, but my kids _____.
- 2 I _____ hope you enjoy your time here.
- 3 I _____ warn you it might bite!
- 4 That fish really _____ look very strange indeed!
- 5 He's always butting in! I really wish he _____.
- 6 The car should be OK on the dirt roads, _____ it?
- 7 We spent a fortnight there, but I wish we _____ I hated the place, I really _____!
- 8 My car's at the garage at the moment. If it _____, I'd come and get you from the airport, but I _____, I'm afraid.
- 9 A: I think we'll probably book in advance.
B: You _____. It gets very busy at this time of year.
- 10 A: Have you fed the dog?
B: No, I _____, but I _____ in a minute, OK?
- 11 A: Make sure you drive safely on the roads up there.
B: Don't worry. I _____.
- 12 A: I thought you were going to Poland this summer?
B: I _____, and I still _____. It's just all a bit up in the air at the moment.