



9 Put the verbs in brackets into the correct tense.

- 1 A: My mobile phone hasn't been working lately.
B: If you *were* (be) you, I *would get* (get) a new one.
- 2 A: If you (not/help) me, I (never/pass) the driving test.
B: I was glad to be of assistance.
- 3 A: Can I go to the cinema tonight?
B: OK. As long as you (do) your chores first.
- 4 A: If you (go) to the chemist's, (you/get) me some vitamin tablets?
B: No problem.
- 5 A: Unless you (practise) regularly, you (not/become) a good golf player.
B: I know. I'll try my best.
- 6 A: That bag seems too heavy for the old woman.
B: If I were you, I (offer) to carry it for her.

What a load of rubbish!

Freeganism is the practice of reusing things ¹ by other people. Freegans may or may not be able to ² these things themselves, but that really isn't the point. The reason they look for things to recycle is to protest ³ the consumer society we live in and also to be more ecological. ⁴ concerns freegans the most is the quantity of food and drink that is wasted each year, which amounts to around 4.2 million tonnes in the UK alone. This figure is likely to rise ⁵ people start to pay more attention to the purchases they make. Supermarket food has often been flown by plane, driven in trucks and packaged in unnecessary plastic before it appears on the shelves. The less food we have to produce, the ⁶ natural resources we will use up. Not surprisingly, supermarkets would prefer freegans ⁷ through their bins, which are usually located on private land. For this reason, police cars often ⁸ outside to make sure there is no one around. If a police officer does find someone looking for food, he or she will usually ⁹ and send them on their way. For freegans, however, the real crime is throwing away so much food and drink in the first place. They say that if the unwanted products ¹⁰ properly, then nobody would have to go through supermarket bins.

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| 1 a to discard | b discarded | c discarding |
| 2 a afford | b budget | c haggle |
| 3 a against | b for | c with |
| 4 a All | b It | c What |
| 5 a even if | b supposing | c unless |
| 6 a fewer | b less | c little |
| 7 a don't go | b not going | c not to go |
| 8 a come across | b pull up | c stop over |
| 9 a put them off | b tell off them | c tell them off |
| 10 a are distributed | b were distributed | c would be distributed |