

1 GRAMMAR Inversion

a Underline the correct words to complete the text.

Mary's Meals is a charity providing food to over one million schoolchildren in developing countries, but ¹not only / no sooner does the nutritious meal fill their bellies, it is also a motivation to attend school in the first place.

²*It is rare* / *Seldom* has a single charity done so much to help so many people. The teachers themselves are amazed at the difference in their pupils. ³*'Never* / *Often* have I felt and seen such a change in my pupils. They used to be so tired and hungry, they found it impossible to learn, yet not once ⁴*I heard them* / *did I hear them* complain. Not until they started having a hot meal every lunchtime, ⁵*did they start* / *they began* to be lively and keen to contribute and participate in class,' says one primary school teacher. The projects continue to grow. ⁶*'As soon as* / *No sooner* has one project been set up, than we are asked to do something in a neighbouring village or town,' comments one of the volunteers.

The food is sourced locally and cooked by volunteers, often relatives of the children. 'Not in a thousand years ⁷*I would think* / *did I ever think* a meal a day could bring such a change to the lives of these kids, but not until every child has a meal every day ⁸*can we really stop* / *we will never stop* our work,' another volunteer adds.

