

Exercise 8: Finish each of the following sentences in such a way that it means the same as the sentence printed before it.

1. We haven't got central heating, so the house is rather cold.
If we _____.
2. I have no dog, so I don't like being alone in the house at night.
I would _____.
3. We got a lift, so we reached the station in time.
If I _____.
4. I haven't got a vacuum cleaner; that's why I'm so slow.
I would _____.
5. I don't know his address, so I can't write to him.
If I _____.
6. We didn't visit the museum because we hadn't time.
Had we _____.
7. Tom's father was on the Board. That's the only reason he got the job.
But for _____.
8. He wasn't looking where he was going. That's why he was run over.
Had he _____.
9. I don't like country life, perhaps because I wasn't brought up in the country.
If I _____.
10. I didn't know he was so quarrelsome. I'm sorry now that I invited him.
Had I _____.
11. People drive very fast. That's why there are so many accidents.
If people _____.
12. English people speak very quickly. Perhaps that's why I can't understand them.
I would _____.
13. They got the children back alive only because they paid the ransom at once.
Had they _____.
14. The flats are not clearly numbered, so it is very difficult to find anyone.
It would _____.
15. You don't wipe your feet, so you make muddy marks all over the floor.
If you _____.
16. We didn't go by air only because we hadn't enough money.
Had we _____.
17. The bus didn't stop because you didn't put your hand up.
Had you _____.
18. I only came up the stairs because the lift wasn't working.
Had the lift _____.
19. I didn't know how thin the ice was, so I was walking on it quite confidently.
If I _____.
20. The champion didn't take the fight seriously at first; perhaps that's why he didn't win it.
If the champion _____.