

- 1 He fed the dog **and (he)** went to work.
She came to the meeting, **but (she) didn't say** anything.
We should phone him **or (we should) send** him an email.
We usually have dinner at 10.00 and **then (we) watch** TV.
- 2 They locked the doors and windows **before they left**.
We'll have a look at the photos **after we finish** dinner.
He's stressed **because he has** too much work.
She was horrified **when she saw** the mess he had left.
I met Sean **while he was working** in Italy.

- 1 Laura has never been to the States, but her sister **has**.
Gary thinks he's right, but he **isn't**.
They said I would love the film, but I don't think I **would**.
I didn't like the play, but Marcus **did**.
- 2 I thought I **would be able to** come tonight, but in fact I **can't**.
I know you've never **learnt** to drive, but I think you **should have**.
A You **must** read his latest book! B I already **have**.
- 3 I've never ridden a motorbike, but I'd **love to**.
The students cheated in the exam, even though I **told them not to**.

- 1 I'll have finished the work by Friday, or at least I **hope so**.
A Will you be working on Saturday?
B I **suppose so**, unless we get everything done tomorrow.
A You do know it wasn't my fault, don't you?
B If you **say so**.
- 2 A Do you think it'll rain tonight? B I **hope not**.
A She's not very likely to pass, is she? B I'm **afraid not**.
The children may be back, but I **don't think so**.

a Cross-out the words / phrases which could be left out.

They look happy, but they aren't really happy.

- 1 Everyone else liked the hotel, but I didn't like it.
- 2 Nobody expects us to win, but we might win.
- 3 I didn't take the job in the end, but now I think I should have taken it.
- 4 I went to the gym every week and I played basketball when I was living in the USA.
- 5 **A** Would you like to come for dinner tomorrow?
B I'd love to come to dinner, but I can't come.
- 6 We don't go to the theatre very often, but we used to go before we had children.
- 7 I won't be able to go to the concert, but my wife will be able to go.
- 8 We didn't enjoy the film because we arrived late and we missed the beginning.

b Complete the sentences with the correct modal or auxiliary form.

I'd like to help you this week, but I can't.

- 1 I'm not vegetarian, but my wife _____.
- 2 I would love to fly a plane, but I know that I never _____.
- 3 Nobody believes me when I say that I'm going to resign, but I _____.
- 4 We thought that Karen would get the job, but she _____.
- 5 In the end they didn't come, even though they had promised that they _____.
- 6 If you haven't seen the film yet, you _____. It's absolutely fantastic!
- 7 If I could help you I would, but I'm afraid I _____.
- 8 I don't speak French, but my friend _____.

c Respond to the first sentence using the correct form of the verb in brackets and **either a reduced infinitive or so / not.**

A Would you like to come round for a coffee later?

B I'd love to. (love)

- 1 **A** The weather forecast said it would rain tomorrow.
B I _____. I want to do some gardening. (hope)
- 2 **A** Do you go to the gym?
B I _____, but I stopped going last month. (use)
- 3 **A** If you think she's coming down with flu, you shouldn't send her to school.
B I _____. She might give it to the other children. (suppose)
- 4 **A** Have you spoken to Martin yet?
B No, but I _____ after the meeting. (try)
- 5 **A** Do you think we should leave early to miss the traffic?
B I _____, though I'm really enjoying myself. (guess)
- 6 **A** Why are you going to do a parachute jump?
B I don't know. I _____. (always / want)
- 7 **A** Has James gone out again?
B Yes he has, even though I _____. (ask / not)
- 8 **A** The bank's closed on public holidays, isn't it?
B Yes, I _____. (imagine)