Workbook exercises unit 8

Complete the following grammar exercises. When you're finished, click on "Email my answers to my teacher".

GRAMMAR

If sentences: Imagined situations (1)

1 Complete the text with the correct form of the verb in parentheses.

Luke Hartigan's crime blog... Police lineups

If the police (1) _____ (suspect) you of a crime, one thing they would use to test your identity is a police lineup. If real life were like TV, everyone in the lineup (2) _____ (look) more or less the same. But, in fact, they often look completely different! This is not a big problem. If the police (3) _____ (put) the real criminal in the lineup, they would be identified correctly, after all. Or would they?

In fact, police lineups are often used to test witnesses. If a police officer (4)_____ (not/trust) a particular witness, they would show them two lineups, the first one without the suspect. They (5)_____ (only/show) them a second lineup if the witness didn't wrongly identify a suspect in the first one.

If the police only showed an untrustworthy witness one lineup, he or she (6)_____ (just/choose) anyone. This is because a bad witness thinks the real suspect must be there! If a witness (7)_____ (make) a false identification like this, an innocent person's life could be ruined. That is why the police need to control what happens in a lineup very carefully.

2 Correct the sentences. Mark (✓) two correct sentences.

1 If you were in the store yesterday, would you have stopped the robbery?
2 If the criminals had go to prison, they wouldn't have committed any more crimes.
3 You might not have gotten that virus last week if you hadn't downloaded things from that file-sharing site.
4 There hadn't been so much crime last year if there had been more police officers on the street.
5 If the jury saw this evidence in last year's trial, they could have found the man guilty of murder.
6 If there had been a lot of vandalism in the old days, everyone would have tried to stop it.
7 I was mugged! If I didn't hide my credit card in my sock, they would have taken that, too!
8 If the flight hadn't been delayed, they would arrive five hours ago.

If sentences: Imagined situations (2), mixed time frames

5 Which sentences are correct? Mark (✓) the correct box: a, b or both a and b.

1 a If they had found the burglar guilty, they would have sent him to prison yesterday.

b If they had found the burglar guilty, he would be in prison today.

a ☐ b ☐ both a and b ☐

2 a If the woman had gone to prison, she wouldn't be doing community service now.

b If the woman had gone to prison, she wouldn't have done community service now.

a ☐ b ☐ both a and b ☐

3 a If I hadn't bought a paper yesterday, I wouldn't find out about the trial.

b If I hadn't bought a paper yesterday, I wouldn't have found out about the trial.

a ☐ b ☐ both a and b ☐

4 a We would still have capital punishment if the government hadn't changed the law in the 1960s.

b We would still have had capital punishment if the government hadn't changed the law in the 1960s.

a ☐ b ☐ both a and b ☐

5 a If they had caught the robber, he would be at the police station by now.

b If they had caught the robber, he would have been at the police station by now.

a ☐ b ☐ both a and b ☐

6 a You wouldn't have lost your money if you hadn't left your bag open.

b You would have some money now if you hadn't left your bag open.

a ☐ b ☐ both a and b ☐

7 a If last night's fire was caused by arson, there might still be evidence there.

b If last night's fire had been caused by arson, there might still be evidence there.

a ☐ b ☐ both a and b ☐