

B2 UNIT 9 CONDITIONALS

E Write sentences using the second conditional.

Example: I don't want to buy that CD so I'm not going to.

If I wanted to buy that CD, I would.

- 1 I don't live alone so I don't get lonely.
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- 2 Don's got such a lot of homework that he's not going to play football tonight.
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- 3 I can't swim so I'm not going scuba diving with Terry.
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- 4 We're not going to order a pizza because we don't have enough money.
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- 5 We're not staying in the same hotel, so we can't share a room.
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- 6 I'm not you, but I think you should call Antony right now!
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- 7 I can't come because I have to help my dad with something.
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- 8 I don't go to bed as late as you so I'm able to get up early in the morning.
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F Read the text and complete the sentences using the third conditional.

Some scientists, such as Stephen Hawking, believe it's possible that there are billions and billions of universes. Each universe has a different possible consequence for every action. In the universe we live in, for example, George Bush became President of the USA in January 2001, and Greece won the European Cup in July 2004. But in other universes different things happened. Imagine if that's true! In some universes, your parents didn't meet, so you weren't born. In another universe, a meteor didn't strike the Earth, so the dinosaurs didn't become extinct. In a different universe, your best friend won the lottery last summer and moved to a bigger house. In another parallel universe, you started learning English a year earlier, so you did this book last year! Somewhere else, Madonna wasn't discovered, and so didn't make any records. In another universe, Van Gogh was recognised as a great painter during his lifetime, and so didn't die in poverty. And perhaps in several universes, there were enough lifeboats on the *Titanic* and so everyone on board survived. It makes you think, doesn't it?

- 1 If I'd started learning English a year earlier,
- 2 If a meteor hadn't struck the Earth,
- 3 If my best friend had won the lottery last summer,
- 4 If my parents
- 5 Everyone on board the *Titanic*
- 6 Van Gogh
- 7 Madonna
- 8 If George Bush
- 9 If Greece

G Choose the correct answer.

If this theory about parallel universes (1) correct, it (2) that we're living in more than one universe at the same time. But if that (3) true – if I was doing different things in different universes – (4) about it. And if I (5) about it, how could it be me doing these things? If I (6) the lottery last year in a parallel universe, and decided to sail round the world, how is that 'me'? It doesn't make sense!

And another thing. If I do something, it (7) consequences. For example, if I (8) study, I might not pass my exams. I can't start thinking about different universes where the consequences are different. If I just (9) about the universe I actually live in, then I'm sure (10) okay!

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| 1 | A will be | B is | C would have been | D has been |
| 2 | A has meant | B meant | C had meant | D means |
| 3 | A will be | B was being | C were | D has been |
| 4 | A I'd know | B I'll know | C I have known | D I know |
| 5 | A wouldn't know | B don't know | C won't know | D didn't know |
| 6 | A had won | B was winning | C have won | D win |
| 7 | A would have | B would have had | C will have | D had had |
| 8 | A won't | B haven't | C don't | D hadn't |
| 9 | A think | B to think | C am thinking | D have thought |
| 10 | A I'd be | B I've been | C I'd have been | D I'll be |

H Complete using the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

- 1 If (you / do) your homework last night, you'd know the answer to this question!
- 2 We (not / stand) by the side of the road at the moment trying to get a lift if (we / bring) a spare tyre with us.
- 3 If I (not / stay up) so late last night, I (not / feel) so tired this morning!
- 4 (I / be) in terrible trouble right now if you (not / help) me.
- 5 If I had a video recorder, (I / record) the match last night.
- 6 (I / ask) for Andy's phone number when I met him if I (not / already / have) a boyfriend!

- 7 If Cody (**not / live**) so far away, he
 (**not / be**) so late to the barbecue yesterday.
- 8 Tracy (**not / need**) extra lessons last month if she
 (**be**) as good at maths as you are.
- 9 (**you / got**) a job when you left school if the university
 (**not / offer**) you a place?
- 10 If you (**have**) as much money as she does,
 (**you / retire**) by now?

I Complete the sentences so that the meaning remains the same.

- 1 If her condition should improve, we'll inform you immediately.
 Should
- 2 Jade will ask lots of difficult questions if she gets to interview a famous politician.
 Should
- 3 If you were able to go abroad for the summer, where would you go?
 Were
- 4 If I was to become a vet, I'd find putting animals down very difficult.
 Were
- 5 The world would be much better off if all environmental pollution stopped today.
 Were
- 6 If the hole in the ozone layer had been discovered sooner, fewer people would have got skin cancer.
 Had
- 7 I wouldn't have become a teacher if I hadn't had such a good English teacher at school.
 Had

J If a line is correct, put a tick (✓) next to the number. If there is an extra word in a line, write it next to the number.

Being an only child

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| 1 | | I'm an only child. People often say to me: 'Wouldn't you be a lot |
| 2 | | happier if you have had brothers and sisters?' but I don't see it like that. |
| 3 | | It's true that if I had had a brother or sister, I would have someone closer |
| 4 | | to my own age to talk to and play with at home, but I don't think that's |
| 5 | | very important provided for you have close friends, which I do. If my |
| 6 | | parents would had more children, they wouldn't be able to spend so much |
| 7 | | time with me. And we have great fun together! Also, except if I had a |
| 8 | | brother or sister, I'd have it to share a bedroom with them. That might be |
| 9 | | fun, but what would happen if I wanted to play my CDs and he or she had |
| 10 | | to study? No – I don't want a brother or sister, unless it will happens, of course. In that case, I'll think it's the best thing in the world! |