

C Grammar exercises

- 1** Match the beginnings and endings of these sentences.



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| 1 If Sally opens that door, ...g... | a if she wasn't such a jealous type. |
| 2 If Mike had listened to his father, | b I'd probably have lots of boyfriends. |
| 3 I would quite like Juno | c they usually wait until their parents go out. |
| 4 If Dave didn't work so much, | d and you'll never forget his face. |
| 5 We would have arrived early | e he wouldn't have got into trouble. |
| 6 If I was as lovely as Nancy, | f I still wouldn't love you! |
| 7 If teenagers want to have a party, | g she'll get a nasty surprise. |
| 8 The house wouldn't have been such a mess | h if the roads had been less busy. |
| 9 Take one look at Alan | i he wouldn't get so tired. |
| 10 If you were as handsome as a film star, | j if the guests hadn't been careless. |

- 2** Put the verbs in brackets into the correct form.

- I won't help you with your homework if you *don't tidy* (not tidy) your bedroom.
- You'll need a visa if you (want) to travel to China.
- If he (care) about other people's feelings, he wouldn't behave that way.
- She (not be) successful if she doesn't learn to control her temper.
- If I'd known you were such a gossip, I (not tell) you my secret.
- They would work harder if they (not be) so tired.
- The boss (be) furious if he'd found out what you were up to.
- If the temperature (fall) below freezing, water turns to ice.
- If they (not expect) delays, they wouldn't have set off so early.
- Open the envelope and we (discover) what John has been doing.

- 3 Complete the sentences for each picture using the third conditional, to show how missing her bus one day resulted in a new job for Zoe.



- 1 If she hadn't missed her bus, she wouldn't have gone into the café.
- 2 If there had been a free table, she
- 3, she wouldn't have had to wait for her coffee.
- 4, she wouldn't have read the back of the man's paper.
- 5 If she hadn't noticed the advertisement,

- 4 Complete these sentences, using your own ideas.

- 1 If I was incredibly good-looking my friends would be jealous of me.
- 2 I wouldn't have to study English if
- 3 If I pass First Certificate
- 4 I won't pass my exam if
- 5 If my teacher didn't
- 6 If I hadn't
- 7 If English grammar
- 8 You have to if
- 9 If you listen to English pop songs
- 10 If I complete this sentence quickly

D Exam practice

Reading

You are going to read a magazine article about a young woman who works in a nursery school. Seven paragraphs have been removed from the article. Choose from the paragraphs **A–H** the one which fits each gap (**1–6**). There is one extra paragraph which you do not need to use. There is an example at the beginning (**0**).

CHANCES | Nursery school teacher Sarah Oliver tells how a chance meeting changed her life

I really love my job, it makes me feel good at the beginning of every week, because I love working with small children and I enjoy the challenges that arise. But I also think what I do is something worthwhile and there was a time when I thought I would never have that sort of career.

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H

But in my final term I started thinking what I might do and I realised that I didn't have much to offer. If I'd worked harder, I would have had better grades, but it was too late. I just accepted that I wasn't the type to have a career.

1

Their father worked abroad and their mother had some high-powered job in an insurance company. I did most of the housework and I had a lot of responsibility for the children although I was only sixteen.

2

The problems began really when I agreed to live in, so that I would be there if my boss had to go out for business in the evening. What was supposed to happen was, if I had to work extra hours one week, she'd give me time off the next.

3

Anyway, one Sunday, I was in the park with them, while their parents were on yet another business trip, and I met this girl Megan I used to go to school with. We weren't particularly friendly before, but she asked me what I was doing, so we got chatting.

4

I thought you couldn't do courses if you didn't have all sorts of exams from school, but she persuaded me to phone the local college and they were really helpful. My experience counted for a lot and I got on a part-time course.

5

But it was worth it in the end. Now I've got a full-time job. Most of the children in this school come from families where there are problems, unemployment, poor housing and so on.

6

I shall always be grateful to Megan. If I hadn't bumped into her, I would have stayed on where I was, getting more and more fed up. I wish I'd realised earlier that you can have a real career, even if you aren't top of the class at school.

A

I had to leave my job with the family, but I got work helping out at a nursery school. I was really short of money and I even had to get an evening job as a waitress sometimes.

B

I find that the work we do helps in lots of ways. The children benefit, but also the parents. It gives them time to sort things out, go for training, or job interviews and so on.

C

But unfortunately, it didn't often work out. I was getting more and more tired and fed up, because I had too many late nights and early mornings with the little ones. I felt trapped, because if I walked out there wouldn't be anyone to look after them.

D

Then I thought, well, I've spent every holiday for the past five years helping my mum – I've got two little brothers and a little sister, all much younger than me. So I found myself a job as a nanny, looking after two little girls.

E

It wasn't too bad at first, because I was living at home and my mum gave me advice and looked after me when I got home exhausted. And it felt great to be earning.

F

I was telling her how I loved the kids but hated the job and she said, if you want to work with children, you ought to do a course and get a qualification.

G

The following year I gained a further certificate which means I could apply for the post of deputy if it became vacant, or even transfer somewhere else if I want to.

H

I wasn't very good at school. I mean, I didn't like studying much, so I didn't try very hard. I thought I was the sort of person who couldn't do schoolwork, I suppose. I was just impatient to leave as soon as I could.

Grammar focus task

Without looking back at the text, match the beginnings and endings of these phrases.

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| 1 I thought you couldn't do courses ...d... | a there wouldn't be anyone to look after them. |
| 2 If I'd worked harder, | b you ought to do a course and get a qualification. |
| 3 If I hadn't bumped into her, | c if it became vacant ... |
| 4 I could apply for the post of deputy | d she'd give me time off the next ... |
| 5 ... if you want to work with children, | e I would have stayed on where I was ... |
| 6 ... if I walked out | f I would have had better grades ... |
| 7 ... if I had to work extra hours one week, | g if you hadn't done all sorts of exams at school ... |

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1 Rewrite these sentences using *unless* instead of *if not*.

- 1 Sam will pass his driving test if he doesn't drive too fast.

Sam will pass his driving test unless he drives too fast.

- 2 They'll be here soon if their plane isn't delayed.

- 3 If you're not in a hurry, you could take the bus.

- 4 I won't be able to come to see you tomorrow if my brother can't give me a lift.

- 5 If the factory doesn't increase its production, it will close down.

- 6 If you don't write your address down for me, I'll forget it.

- 7 I won't stay in that hotel if it hasn't got a good restaurant.

- 8 If I don't hear from you, I'll meet you at six.

2 Fill in the gaps with *in case* or *if*.

- 1 Elaine will post the lettersif..... she goes out.

- 2 I'll go for a swim I finish college early.

- 3 I'll teach you to windsurf you teach me to play golf.

- 4 I always leave the answerphone on when I go out I miss an important phone call.

- 5 I'll take Tim's address with me I have time to visit him while I'm in London.

- 6 Our team will win the match our goalkeeper plays like he did last week.

- 7 It's a good idea to have two address books you lose one of them.

- 8 I'll leave these videos here you have time to watch them.

- 3** Chloe is on holiday in a foreign city. She was so busy admiring the sights that she has got lost. What does she wish? Write sentences with *wish*.

1 I haven't got a map.

I wish I had a map.

2 The streets all look the same.

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3 I didn't bring my mobile phone.

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4 I can't speak the language.

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5 I didn't buy a phrase book.

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6 I'm hot and thirsty.

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7 I came here alone.

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8 I need someone to help me.

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9 I'm sorry I came here.

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10 I want to be back in my hotel.

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- 4 Read this email. Fill in the gaps with the correct form of the verbs in the box. You need to make some of the verbs negative.

be be behave bring can change finish have- learn know

To:	JOE
From:	ROBIN
Subject:	PARTY!

Hi Joe

I'm having a birthday party on Saturday in my uncle's flat. I wish I had (1) a bigger flat but I haven't. Anyway, my uncle has offered me his flat so long as there (2) no more than thirty people and provided that the party (3) by midnight. So please come and bring a friend, but I'd rather you (4) Matthew with you because he always causes trouble. I wish he (5) to behave better. I had to work hard to persuade my uncle and unless everyone (6) well, he won't let me do it again. I'll send you a map in case you (7) the street where my uncle lives. If you (8) find it, just ring me on my mobile. So I'll see you on Saturday unless my uncle (9) his mind! By the way, has Sally changed her phone number? I can't get hold of her. I wish I (10) rude to her last week, as she's not speaking to me now.

Bye for now.

Robin