



GRAMMAR REVIEW TASKS

CONDITIONALS

TASK 1: Put the verbs in brackets in the correct tense.

1. If I _____(be) you, I wouldn't listen to his lies.
2. If he _____(not/ eat) that sandwich, he wouldn't have suffered from food poisoning.
3. Father Christmas won't come unless you _____(be) a good girl.
4. As long as you _____(do) your best, no one will criticize you.
5. He put the answer phone on in case anyone _____(want) to leave a message.
6. If you _____(tell) me you were cold, I _____(put) the fire on.

TASK 2: Finish the sentences.

1. If you change your mind, just call us.
Should _____
2. If you had informed earlier, I would have changed my plans.
Had _____
3. If I were you, I'd cut down on smoking.
Were _____
4. But for the good pay, I wouldn't stay in this job.
If it _____
5. But for his encouragement, I wouldn't have coped with this situation.
If it _____

TASK 3: Write MIXED conditionals.

1. I might have missed my flight. I would be very upset now.

2. He has made a lot of enemies. He is lonely now.

3. You are cold. Why didn't you bring a pullover with you?

She isn't trustworthy. She would never have revealed your secret.

WISHES**TASK 4: Write a wish for the following sentences.**

1. You want to go out but you haven't got enough money.

2. You forgot to have your holiday photos developed.

3. John gets irritated when his brother plays the music loud.

4. You didn't take your parents' advice and now you regret it.

5. You dream of being a world class racing driver one day.

6. It didn't cross your mind to wear a coat and now you are cold.

UNREAL PAST**TASK 5: Complete with a suitable verb in the correct tense or form.**

It's time that politicians listening to the people.
 Don't treat me as if I retarded.
 Do you ever wish peopleact more politely?
 This computer is a mess. I wish Ibought it.
 Most parents would rather their kids to college.
 I wish they play dumb music on the radio.
 Jane acts as though shemy boss.

RELATIVE CLAUSES**TASK 6: Join the sentences together using relative pronouns or adverbs.**

1. Sally and Sue are twins. They always wear the same clothes.

2. I applied for a job. Someone has already taken it.

3. There are people who don't believe in God. They're called atheists.

4. He refused to accept my apology. It was childish of him.

5. This is the neighbourhood. I lived here in the 1980s.

TASK 7: Fill in the gaps with a suitable relative pronoun or adverb where necessary.

1. The meeting _____ I attended was the final one before the company closed down.

2. Monday was the day _____ they left for France.
3. The person to _____ the letter is addressed is no longer here.
4. Last week was one of those times _____ nothing went right,
_____ was disturbing considering all the work _____ I had to do.
5. I believe that what he says is true, _____ is a point _____ some people have doubts about.
6. The actor _____ I met was extremely talented.
7. That's the couple _____ child was abducted.

MODALS

TASK 8: : Use modals to rewrite the following sentences.

1. Let's review what we've done so far.
_____?
2. I'm sure it wasn't his fault.

3. It is forbidden to enter this room without permission.

4. It wasn't necessary for you to apologize. After all, it wasn't your fault.

5. I don't think we are near the village yet.

6. It is very possible that he'll pass the test.
He is _____
7. Why didn't you consult a lawyer?

8. It wasn't necessary to walk to work as he gave me a lift.

9. Do you mind if I borrow your car?

10. Perhaps she wasn't taking a bath when you called.

NOUNS / ARTICLES

TASK 9: Choose the correct answer. In some cases both options may be correct.

1. The scenery (is / are) spectacular here.
2. The audience (was / were) appreciative of his musical talents.
3. The public (is / are) unaware of the problems.
4. The news (was / were) unexpected.
5. Rubbish (is / are) lying on the pavement.
6. He has a lot of (work / works) to complete before he leaves.
7. The (custom / customs) officer stopped us and asked if he could inspect our luggage.
8. The magazine lost the court case and was ordered to pay (damage / damages) to the television celebrity.
9. The police (was / were) very helpful.

10. Ted was lost in the (wood / woods).
11. Measles (is /are) a children's disease.
12. The statistics about bullying (is/ are) alarming.
13. Do you have the necessary (experience / experiences) for the job?
14. It took me two months to finish the (whole/ all) book.
15. (Neither / Either) Pete nor Mary is coming.
16. He's written several books (none/ neither) of which became popular.
17. Neither Mary nor her classmates (is / are) coming to my party.

TASK 10: Choose the correct answer.

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| 1. the / --- Hilton hotel | 11. the / --- Times |
| 2. the / --- Alps | 12. the / --- earth |
| 3. the / --- Mount Everest | 13. the / --- Eiffel Tower |
| 4. the / --- Queen | 14. the / --- Nile |
| 5. the / --- Queen Elizabeth | 15. the / --- Browns |
| 6. the / --- unemployed | 16. the / --- Americans |
| 7. the / --- United Kingdom | 17. the / --- piano |
| 8. the / --- Oxford street | 18. the / --- measles |
| 9. the / --- Hague | 19. the / --- Hyde park |
| 10. the / --- Netherlands | 20. the / --- Second World War |

PASSIVE VOICE

TASK 11: Turn the following into PASSIVE.

1. Which picture did he sell?

2. They know he has stolen the money. (2)

3. Don't let them make fun of you.

4. Who assassinated Kennedy?

5. They will have finished redecorating by the time we get back from Spain.

6. They believe he has left the country.

TASK 12: Turn the following into ACTIVE.

1. When John was hired he was told that he would have to serve a six-month apprenticeship, but as it turned out he was promoted at the end of three months.

2. Have you ever been interviewed by a journalist? I have been, but unfortunately everything I said was misrepresented.

CAUSATIVE FORM

TASK 13: REWRITE the following sentences without changing the meaning of the sentences printed before them.

1. His motorbike is being repaired in the garage. He is _____
2. The dentist checked her teeth. She _____
3. The typist has typed all her letters. _____
4. Someone was making Mary coffee when the doorbell rang. Mary _____
5. Mr Smith asked a lawyer to draw up his will. Mr Smith had _____

TASK 14: Complete the sentence with verb phrases.

1. Sometimes parents make their children _____
2. I got my boyfriend _____
3. When I was at the restaurant I had the waiter _____
4. Teachers sometimes have their students _____
5. We finally got our landlady _____

REPORTED SPEECH.

TASK 15: Correct the errors.

1. Tell the driver where do you want to go. _____
2. My roommate came into my room and asked me why aren't you in class? _____
3. I wondered who else will be in the class. _____
4. The doctor asked me that I felt ok. _____
5. When I asked the taxi driver to drive faster he said he will drive faster if I pay him more. _____
6. The teacher explained to us that China was a big country. _____
7. He admitted to be the thief. _____
8. He accused me for lying. _____
9. He complained about me get home late. _____
10. They suggested he trying harder. _____
11. She denied to break the vase. _____
12. He threatened that he would get out of the car if I didn't slow down. _____

TASK 16: Choose the correct answer. In some cases both answers may be correct.

1. My father insisted on me apologizing / that I apologize to the lady.
2. His brother agreed to help / helping me with my school project.
3. He offered that he would help / to help me.
4. He refused / denied to help me finish painting the room.
5. He promised to be / that he would be more careful in the future.
6. He permitted me to enter / entering the palace.

SUBJUNCTIVE**TASK 17: Complete the sentences.**

1. Mr. Adams insists that we _____ careful in our writing.
2. They requested that we not _____ after midnight.
3. She demanded that I _____ her the truth.
4. I recommended that Jane _____ to the head of the department.
5. It is essential that everyone _____ a letter to the governor.
6. It is important that he _____ the director of the English program.
7. It is necessary that everyone _____ here on time.

INVERSION**TASK 18: Complete the gaps with a suitable word or phrase practicing INVERSION.**

1. Never _____ such a ridiculous song.
2. No _____ than the boss sent her out on an errand.
3. Only _____ we arrive on time.
4. Under _____ our plan to our competitors.
5. Rarely _____ such an excellent performance.
6. So ill _____ that the boss sent her home.
7. Such a dull film _____ that I fell asleep.
8. Only by working hard _____ your goals.
9. Only after I saw her _____ how ill she was.
10. Had _____, you wouldn't have agreed to his proposal so quickly.

CLAUSES**TASK 19: Finish the following sentences without changing the meaning of the sentences printed before them.**

1. Even if she comes late, ring me when she arrives.
No matter _____
2. Even though he is talented, he can't find a job.
Talented _____
3. Even though we went to the same school, we don't keep in touch now.
Despite _____
4. He has lived in France for three years, nevertheless he can't speak French.
In spite _____

5. We aren't rich; nevertheless, we are happy.

Although _____

TASK 20: Join the sentences below using the words in brackets.

1. They tidied the office. The managing director might drop in. (IN CASE)

2. They bought some extra Coke. They were afraid of running out. (FOR FEAR/LEST)

3. She got up early. She didn't want to be late. (AVOID)

4. They locked the gate. They didn't want us to get in. (SO THAT)

5. They chained the dog up. They didn't want it to bite anyone. (PREVENT)

TENSES

TASK 21: Finish the sentences without changing the meaning of the sentences printed before them.

1. It's weeks since I last went to the countryside.

I _____

2. Our school has never held a Christmas party before.

It's _____

3. They began building the tunnel 18 months ago.

They have _____

4. When was the planet Pluto discovered?

How _____

5. He has never felt so embarrassed before.

It's _____

6. They raided the fridge as soon as their mother had left.

Not until _____

7. I'd never heard such a ridiculous suggestion before.

That _____

8. Having finished his work, he went for a walk.

After _____

TASK 22: Fill in the blanks with a suitable word or phrase practicing various tenses.

1. By the end of next year she _____ London for ten years.

2. Since I came to work, you _____ nothing but complain.

3. As soon as they _____ stolen, they called the police.
4. We drove very slowly because snow _____ heavily.
5. The author's new book _____ next month.
6. We didn't realize we'd forgotten our tickets until _____ to the airport.
7. By December 25th we _____ in Greece for two months.
8. She _____ since 6.00 and she still hasn't finished.
9. Don't phone Mark now. It's late and he _____.
10. Don't put too much weight in that bag or _____.

TASK 23: Put the verbs in brackets in the correct tense.

1. By the end of this round-the-world trip early next year, Brian (1) _____ (travel) for 18 months, and (2) he _____ (cover) more than 10,000 kilometres.
2. The first thing (3) we _____ (notice) on arriving at the airport was how much the town (4) _____ (change) since our previous visit.
3. Since Frank (5) _____ (promote) (6) he _____ (tell) everybody else what to do.
4. Before the season (7) _____ (begin), only the team's most loyal supporters believed that (8) they _____ (reach) the finals.
5. This introductory booklet (9) _____ (prepare) to help you make the most of your first term. It (10) _____ (consist) of helpful information and advice suggested by previous students.
6. Due to the current economic climate, more and more factories (11) _____ (close) down these days and it is unlikely that their employees (12) _____ (offer) jobs elsewhere.
7. This time tomorrow, organizers (13) _____ (put) the finishing touches to the set for tomorrow night's outdoor charity concert. The event (14) _____ (hold) last month but had to be cancelled because of the weather.
8. Ian was disappointed not to be able to take part in the World Championship as (15) he _____ (train) for months. Now (16) he _____ (hope) he will be fit for the winter season.
9. (17) I _____ (wonder) if you could help me. I know this store (18) _____ (stock) spare parts for record players. Is that still the case?
10. Nigel (19) _____ (always/ laze) around when he should be doing his homework. I don't know how (20) he _____ (expect) to pass his exams next month.

NOUNS

TASK 24: Choose the correct answer.

1. A number of employees **was** / **were** present. The number of skilled employees **was** / **were** inadequate.
2. Five years **is** / **are** enough time to save up for a new car.

3. Physics **is / are** an interesting subject.
4. The Financial Times **is / are** an interesting paper.
5. Everything she said **was / were** true.
6. Measles **is/ are** a child's disease.
7. Both Tom and Lynn **is / are** coming to the party.
8. Neither of them **is / are** attending the meeting.
9. Either program **run / runs** without difficulty.
10. None of my friends **own / owns** a car.
11. Neither Mary nor the kids **is / are** ready.
12. He has a lot of **work / works** to do before he leaves.
13. Most of Picasso's **work / works** are in Barcelona.
14. The stylist was trimming her customer's **hair / hairs**.
15. I found a couple of **hair / hairs** in my soup.
16. The earthquake caused extensive **damage / damages** to the village.
17. The magazine lost the court case and was ordered to pay **damage / damages** to the television celebrity.
18. The **custom / customs** officer stopped us and asked us if he could inspect our luggage.
19. The cook weighed out the necessary ingredients on the **scale / scales**.
20. They follow the **custom/ customs** of exchanging chocolate eggs at Easter.
21. He got lost in the **wood / woods**.
22. They received a consignment of **wood / woods**.
23. The scales **was / were** unbalanced.
24. The evidence **is / are** overwhelming.
25. Rubbish **is / are** accumulating outside because of the strike.
26. The government **was / were** debating the new bill for days.
27. The **passers-by / the passer-bies** witnessed a horrible accident.
28. The audience **was / were** applauding enthusiastically.
29. Athletics **was / were** well-represented in the magazine's sports section.
30. The woods **is / are** home to numerous rare animals.
31. A crowd of hungers-on **was / were** pursuing the Princess.
32. The stairs **is / are** due to be replaced by a lift.
33. The premises **was / were** declared unsafe after the earthquake.
34. Politics **is / are** a tough business.
35. My baggage **was / were** lost.

ADJECTIVES / ADVERBS

TASK 25: Correct the mistakes.

1. She bought a round, tall, attractive, china lamp at the auction. _____
2. She wore a white, expensive, lace dress at the wedding. _____
3. My uncle is a mystery, talented writer. _____
4. The police described the situation as high dangerous. _____
5. We walked deeply into the woods. _____
6. She worked very hardly to get a promotion. _____
7. Residents may visit the museum freely, but tourists have to pay. _____
8. We will be short passing the Tower of London. _____

TASK 26: Finish the sentences.

1. They're such hard workers. They work _____
2. We were surprised by their sudden decision to get married.
We were surprised when _____
3. If you are careful when you wire the plug, you won't have an accident.
If you wire _____
4. His boss had a very high regard of him. He was _____
5. The intruder dealt her a hard blow to the head. The intruder hit _____

TASK 27: Rewrite the sentences using the words given.

1. The new mixer is much better than the old one. COMPARISON

2. If you work late, you'll be tired tomorrow. LATER

3. I gave him a fatherly talk. MANNER

4. I've never heard such good news. BEST

5. He is a good driver. DRIVES

6. Their furniture is like ours. SIMILAR

7. Their house was half the price of ours. TWICE

8. He is becoming steadily rich. AND

9. Can't you find an easier way than this? EASIEST

10. This skirt is the same as this one. ALIKE

TASK 28: Choose LIKE or AS.

1. I'll do **as** / **like** you said.
2. She works **as** / **like** an airhostess. She works **as** / **like** a slave.
3. He came late **as** / **like** usual.
4. She is regarded **as** / **like** an authority on Physics.
5. This scarf feels **as** / **like** velvet.
6. The party wasn't such a success **as** / **like** I'd expected.
7. It looks **as** / **like** the bridge has collapsed.

8. If he wasn't **as / like** his father, he wouldn't be **as / like** successful **as/ like** he is.

CLEFT SENTENCES

TASK 29: Finish the sentences.

- John took Mary to the beach on Sunday.
It was John _____
It was Mary _____
It was to the beach _____
It was on Sunday _____
- Cory needs a break.
What _____

INFINITIVE vs GERUND

TASK 30: Complete with a bare infinitive, a full infinitive or a gerund.

- He was really disappointed _____ (fail) the exam.
- We would rather _____ (not / go) to the cinema today.
- Paul was the last person _____ (arrive) at the airport.
- He wasn't strong enough _____ (open) that box.
- We were made _____ (rewrite) that essay.
- Sam refused _____ (help) us _____ (do) the project.
- She didn't let him _____ (decide) on his own.
- He didn't know which car _____ (choose), so he asked me _____ (help) him.
- Would you _____ (like) me _____ (give) you a hand?
- He threatened _____ (commit) suicide if we didn't leave the room.
- Did you actually see him _____ (take) the money from the bag?
- You can't expect me _____ (lie) for you.
- I'd prefer _____ (lie) on the beach rather than _____ (swim)
- You can't make me _____ (do) this!
- The underdog might actually _____ (win) the fight. This is far too good _____ (be) true.
- The young boy didn't manage _____ (drink) all his milk.
- It's not easy for me _____ (accept) this kind of behavior.
- We had better _____ (not / bother) him.

19. Hoping _____ (lose) his fear of heights, he went climbing with his friends.
20. You seem _____ (be) mad at me. Why?
21. She couldn't afford _____ (book) a room at such an expensive hotel.
22. There's a power failure so we can't do anything but _____ (wait) at the moment.
23. She warned us _____ (not/ go) near the cliff.
24. My boss would sooner _____ (post) the promotional brochures to every one of our clients.
25. I would do anything in my life except _____ (climb) a mountain.
26. He said he would call if something went wrong. So why _____ (worry) about him?
27. _____ (tell) you the truth, I can't stand Jake.
28. Have you ever considered _____ (set) your own business?
29. Excuse me for _____ (interrupt) you sir, but there's someone here for you.
30. He used to be interested in _____ (read) detective novels.
31. Is it really worth _____ (visit) that old ruined castle?
32. Helen warned us _____ (not / touch) the switch.
33. How dare you _____ (speak) to your father like that!
34. There's no point _____ (call) Jim. He's out of town.
35. I'd rather _____ (not/ invite) Paul to the party.
36. The government must take measures _____ (deal) with rising criminality.
37. Do you object to _____ (spend) the night at this cheap hotel?
38. I'm afraid of _____ (drown).
39. I'd like to apologize for _____ (be) late.
40. Why is this so hard for you _____ (understand)?
41. Don't avoid _____ (go) to the dentist.
42. She does nothing but _____ (complain) all day.
43. Dad is busy _____ (repair) his old car.
44. Mary wanted to go _____ (shop) this afternoon.
45. The boy opened the box only _____ (find) an ugly wooden horse inside.
46. I look forward to _____ (see) you tonight.
47. Your car needs _____ (service) immediately.
48. Let's stop _____ (have) lunch. I'm starving!
49. Stop _____ (talk) please.
50. Did you remember _____ (feed) the cats before you left?
51. Do you remember _____ (take) the purse out of the bag?
52. Did you mean _____ (punish) her so severely?

53. Being a teacher means _____ (do) a lot of work.
54. He advised me _____ (see) a doctor.
55. The doctor advised _____ (stay) indoors.
56. He encourages his pupils _____ (study).
57. He encourages _____ (study).
58. Do you regret _____ (leave) school?
59. I regret _____ (inform) you that you failed the exam.
60. I'm sorry for _____ (be) late.
61. I'm sorry _____ (inform) you that lost the bet.
62. Try _____ (put) some more salt in the soup.
63. He tried _____ (open) the door but he couldn't.
64. Go on _____ (read). Please don't stop.
65. She swept the floor and went on _____ (wash) the dishes.
66. The suspect eventually admitted to _____ (commit) the murder.
67. Have you got used to _____ (live) in the city?
68. Pete denied _____ (see) that man before.
69. He refused _____ (help) us.
70. Paul forgot _____ (buy) butter for the cake.

PARTICLES & REDUCED CLAUSES

TASK 31: Rewrite the sentences using PARTICLES or REDUCE ADJECTIVE CLAUSES.

1. After Dianne read the letter, she tore it and threw it away furiously.

2. The lady who is standing next to my mother is my aunt Mary.

3. He picked up the guitar and started playing a traditional tune.

4. Because he was so excited, he couldn't stop smiling.

5. The news which was announced yesterday left everybody speechless.

6. Because the man was seriously hurt, he was admitted to hospital immediately.

7. Before Mel moved to Thailand, she used to live in Canada.

8. The film which was directed by Adam Johnson won an Academy award for BEST ACTRESS.

9. He was reading a book and he was taking notes.

10. As the train pulled out, I could see people who were waving goodbye to their loved ones.
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CLAUSES OF RESULT & REASON

TASK 32: Join the following sentences using the given words.

1. He's earning more money. He can buy a bigger house. SINCE

2. John is ill. You can have his ticket for the play. SEEING THAT

3. The trousers were tight. He couldn't put them on. SO

4. The snow was so deep that they couldn't leave the house. SUCH

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