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+ EXERCISES WITH KEY ANSWERS
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## INTRODUCTION

Teaching GRAMMAR is not an easy task for an in-service teacher because they should deliver correct grammar to their lesson takers. They should be aware of every grammatical rule to fit the standard academic English as they are teaching English for EAP. The book in hand is directed to both English classes and their teachers. The book is an attempt to collect the grammar rules of English language. It serves as a guide for grammar instruction at Biskra University, and for any student or teacher elsewhere. It includes grammar rules and a series of exercises accompanied with the key answers. These series of lessons were presented to First year classes of English language and literature of Biskra University. It also helps them internalise grammar and vocabulary. In other words, prescribing the grammar rules offers a potential for enhancing English language learning outcomes. It may also lead to a significant development in terms of their level of motivation, their involvement and their appreciation of reading texts and their written production. Grammar instruction can significantly increase the student's levels and change the classroom dynamics in a positive way. Moreover, it provides a powerful pedagogic tool in learner' communicative development for the EFL classrooms.

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## I. NOUNS

## Let's define the nouns:

They name people, places, things or ideas". Examples of the nouns are: teacher, school, book, colour, life and truth.

1. Kinds of Nouns?

COMMON VS. PROPER NOUNS: A noun that names a particular person place or thing is a proper noun. Proper nouns begin with capital letters. All other nouns are common.

| Common | Proper |
| :--- | :--- |
| country | Indonesia |
| man | Michael Jordan |
| statue | Statue of Liberty |

- ABSTRACT vs. CONCRETE NOUNS: Nouns that name places or things that can be seen touched, tasted, heard or smelt are concrete. The rest are abstract:

| Concrete | Abstract |
| :--- | :--- |
| Lip stick | beauty |
| Pen | liberty |

- Collective nouns: Nouns that are singular in for; but plural in meaning

Group (number of people, things) pl. groups
Committee (number of people) pl. committees
Council (number of people) pl. councils
Government (number of people) pl. governments
N.B. one noun can be classified in two or more types.

## 2. Countable and Uncountable Nouns

Nouns can be divided into two kinds: countable and uncountable.

- Countable Nouns: are nouns that we can count. They can be singular or plural.


## Examples:

| I have a boiled egg for breakfast. | We use the indefinite article (a/ <br> an) before singular nouns. |
| :--- | :--- |
| I bought three story books <br> yesterday. | We use a definite article (the) <br> or a number before plural <br> nouns. |
| The students in this school are <br> very polite.We change most singular <br> nouns to plurals by adding -s. <br> However, there are some that <br> follow different rules. |  |

- Uncountable Nouns: are nouns that we cannot count. We cannot count them because they - are too difficult to count.

| e.g. rice, hair, sugar - do not have separate parts. |
| :--- |
| e.g. air, water, steam |
| e.g. friendship, happiness, health - are abstract. |

- Uncountable nouns do not have a plural form. We do not use an indefinite article (a/an) or numerals (one, two, three, etc.) in front of these nouns.
- If we want to show the amount of an uncountable noun, we use quantity words in front of it.

| e.g. two cups of tea | a bow/ of rice | three tins of paint |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |

- We cannot use many/few with uncountable nouns, but we can say some/much/a lot of/ all of the/ most of the water, butter, cheese.

EXERCISE (01): Underline the noun in each sentence and write ' $C$ ' or ' $U$ ' to show whether the noun is countable or uncountable.

1. The two sisters took $\qquad$ (turn/ turns) at sitting up with their sick mother.
2. If you want to get well, you should take the doctor's $\qquad$ (advice/ advices).
3. Mary never does her $\qquad$ (homework/ homeworks)
4. Johnny has lost his $\qquad$ (luggage/ luggages).
5. The factory workers stopped working and took (a rest/ rest).
6. The children sat on the $\qquad$ (grass/ grasses).

## Plural Forms of Nouns

Singular Noun: When a noun means one only, it is said to be singular.
boy, girl, book, church $\quad$ Singular nouns use this and that.
Plural Noun: When a noun means more than one, it is said to be plural.
boys, girls, books, churches $\quad$ Plural nouns use these and those

- The plural of nouns is usually formed by adding - $s$ to a singular noun.

| lamp, <br> lamps; | cat, <br> cats; | fork, <br> forks; | flower, <br> flowers; | pen, <br> pens |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

EXERCISE (02): Write the plural of each of these nouns

| SIGNULAR NOUNS | PLURAL |
| :--- | :--- |
| Chair |  |
| star |  |
| farm |  |
| storm |  |
| door |  |
| rock |  |
| owner |  |
| paper |  |
| Cup |  |
| bear |  |

- Nouns ending in ( $\mathbf{s}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{s h}$, and $\mathbf{c h}$ ) form the plural by adding ees.

| moss, <br> mosses | buzz, <br> buzzes | box, <br> boxes | dish, <br> dishes | church, <br> churches |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

EXERCISE (03): Write the plural of each of these nouns
dress brush hex wish class fox cross bench bush grass glass
N.B. If you add -s to such nouns as fox, bush, and bench, you will find that you cannot pronounce them without making an additional syllable. This is why such nouns form the plural by adding -es.

- Nouns ending in y preceded by a consonant is formed into a plural by changing $y$ to ies. lady, ladies | city, cities |
| :--- |
| army, armies |
- Nouns ending in -y preceded by a vowel form their plurals by adding $s$.

$$
\begin{array}{|l|l|}
\hline \text { boy, boys; } & \text { day, days } \\
\hline
\end{array}
$$

EXERCISE (04): Write the plural of the following words
Theory/ Day/ Essay/ Cherry/ Beauty/ Chimney/ Joy/ Duty/ Valley/ Alley/ Volley/ Fly/ Baby/ Toy/ Injury/ Story/ Turkey/History /Play /Berry/Study
$\qquad$
$\qquad$

- Most nouns ending in -o preceded by a consonant is formed into a plural by adding es.

| hero- <br> heroes | buffalo- <br> buffaloes | tomato- <br> tomatoes |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| potato- <br> potatoes | mosquito- <br> mosquitoes | tornado- <br> tornadoes |
| volcano- <br> volcanoes | veto- <br> vetoes |  |

- $\quad$ The following may add -s or -es

| grotto, <br> grottoes $/ \mathrm{s}$ | motto- <br> mottoes/s | calico- <br> calicoes/s | cargo- <br> cargoes/s | portico- <br> porticoes/s |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

- The following are among those that add s only

| canto cantos | solo solos | piano pianos |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| memento mementos | albino albinos | sirocco - siroccos |
| lasso lassos |  |  |

N.B. Most nouns ending in o preceded by a vowel is formed into a plural by adding s.

| folio-folios | studio- studios |
| :--- | :--- |
| cameo- cameos | portfolio- portfolios |

- Some nouns ending in for fe are made plural by changing $f$ or fe to ves.
beef, beeves; wife, wives
Exceptions: The following may form their plurals by adding s.

| mischief, <br> mischiefs | hoof, <br> hoofs | kerchief, <br> kerchiefs | safe, <br> safes | roof, <br> roofs |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

EXERCISE (05): Write the plural of the following words

| Gulf |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| sheaf |  |
| self |  |
| half |  |
| turf |  |
| proof |  |
| wolf |  |

4. IRREGULAR PLURALS

| man, <br> men | foot, <br> feet | mouse, <br> mice | woman, <br> women | child, <br> children | ox, <br> oxen | goose, <br> geese |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| louse, <br> lice | tooth, <br> teeth |  |  |  |  |  |

The following nouns have no singular:

| scissors | snuffers | oats | bellows |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| tongs | shears | dregs | cattle |
| trousers | measles | pinchers |  |
| mumps | victuals |  |  |
| tweezers | vespers |  |  |

## 5. Compound Nouns

| Compound nouns can also be formed using the following combinations of words:- | Noun | + | Noun | toothpaste |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Adjective | + | Noun | monthly ticket |
|  | Verb | + | Noun | swimming pool |
|  | Preposition | $+$ | Noun | underground |
|  | Noun | + | Verb | haircut |
|  | Noun | + | Preposition | hanger on |
|  | Adjective | + | Verb | dry-cleaning |
|  | Preposition | + | Verb | output |

Plurals of compound nouns :

| Singular | plural |
| :--- | :--- |
| a tennis shoe | three tennis shoes |
| one assistant headmaster | five assistant headmasters |
| the sergeant major | some sergeants major |


| a mother-in-law | two mothers-in-law |
| :--- | :--- |
| an assistant secretary of state | three assistant secretaries of state |
| my toothbrush | our toothbrushes |
| a woman-doctor | four women-doctors |
| a doctor of philosophy | two doctors of philosophy |
| a passerby, a passer-by | two passersby, two passers-by |

5. Gender
a. Masculine Gender : Nouns which are the names of males.

Example: tiger, duke, husband, gentleman, boy
b. Feminine Gender: Nouns which are the names of females.

Example: tigress, duchess, wife, lady, girl
c. Neuter Gender: Nouns which are neither male nor female.

Example: box, book, desk, bench, book, barn
d. Common Gender: Nouns which the gender of an object is not known

Example: neighbor, parent, friend, bird, people, cousin
Exercise (08): Name the gender of each of the following nouns

| son | daughter | brother | sister | father | cousin |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| road | house | ship | mother | tree | goose |
| drake | brush | Douglas | general | Anne | niece |
| England | uncle | clock |  | apple | mouse |
| pitcher | leaf | George | cow |  | friend |

- Here are some more masculine and feminine nouns for people.

| Actor | actress | nephew | niece |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| emperor | empress | prince | princess |
| grandfather | grandmother | steward | stewardess |
| grandson | granddaughter | uncle | aunt |
| headmaster | headmistress | wizard | witch |
| master | mistress | nephew | niece |
|  |  | prince | princess |

6. Possessive nouns

The possessive form of a noun shows ownership or relationship. Use an apostrophe to show possession.

| Mom's car (ownership); brother's <br> friend(relationship). | You may use possessive <br> nouns in place of longer <br> phrases. |
| :--- | :--- |
| Head coverings are used for the <br> protection of the beekeeper. | Head coverings are used for <br> the beekeeper's protection. |

The following chart shows the usual ways to form the plurals of possessive nouns.

| Nouns | Rule | Possessive |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Singular : dog | Add an apostrophe <br> and -s | Dog's bone |
| Plural ending in $-s:$ <br> spiders | Add an apstrophe | Spiders' webs |
| Plural not ending in $-s:$ <br> children | Add an apostrophe <br> and -s | Children's caps |

EXERCISE (06) : change the phrases to possessive nouns
Examples: the toes of the children = children's toes the feet of the horses = horses' feet

1. the cheering of the children $\qquad$
2. the laughter of the men $\qquad$
3. the horn of the oxen $\qquad$
$\qquad$
4. the jump rope of the girls
$\qquad$
5. the howling of the dogs
6. the singing of the choirs $\qquad$
7. the handbags of the women $\qquad$
8. the cheese of the mice $\qquad$

## II. DETERMINERS

Determiners are words such as this, those, my, their, which. They are special adjectives that are used before nouns.

## 1. The Articles

The words a, an and the belong to this group of words called determiners.
a. The words a and an are called indefinite articles. You can use them with singular nouns to talk about any single person or thing.

- The article an is usually used before words beginning with vowels. The article a is used before words beginning with consonants.
- This is a picture of an elephant.
- Rudy is reading a book.
- Mom bought me a new dress today.
- You will need an umbrella when you go out.
- She eats an apple a day.
- Can you hear a bird singing ?
b. The word the is called the definite article. Use the before a noun when you are talking about a certain person or thing.
- The telephone is ringing.
- Where's the cat?
- I think she is under the bed.
- Tom has won the race.
- Granny is sitting in the garden.
- The street is very busy today.
- The sky is getting dark.
- You also use the before a noun when there is only one.

For example: the sun the moon the sky the front door of my house
Exercise (07) : Fill in the blanks with a, an or the.

2. Demonstrative Determiners

The words this, that, these and those are determiners. They are used to tell which thing or person you mean. These words are called demonstrative determiners, or demonstrative adjectives.
e.g. I am keeping these books.

You use this and these to point to people or things near you.
You use that and those to point to people or things that are farther from you.
You use this and that before singular nouns.
You use these and those before plural nouns.
Exercise (08): Fill in the blanks with the correct demonstrative adjectives.

- Come and look at $\qquad$ insects.
- Stop $\qquad$ man!
- I was in fifth grade last year. I am in sixth grade $\qquad$ year.
- Bring $\qquad$ chairs here.
ice cream is delicious.
- Can you see $\qquad$ stars in the sky?

3. Interrogative Determiners

Use the words what, which and whose before nouns to ask about people or things. These words are called interrogative determiners or interrrogative adjectives.

- What time is it?
- What color is her hair?
- What kind of clothes do you like to wear?
- Which road leads to the zoo?
- Which runner is the winner?
- Do you know which girl won the prize?
- Whose footprints are these?
- Whose dog was barking in the middle of the night?

Exercise (09) : Choose the correct interrogative adjectives from the box to fill in the blanks.

What which whose
$\qquad$ kind of animal is that?
$\qquad$ runner is the winner?
$\qquad$ is the matter?
$\qquad$ desk is this?
$\qquad$ handphone is ringing?

- ___ is your name?
$\qquad$ twin is taller?
$\qquad$ hand is holding the pebble?

4. Possessive Determiners

The words my, your, his, her, its, our, their are called possessive determiners or posessive adjectives. Use these words before nouns to say who something belongs to.
e.g. I lent Margaret my guitar.

The dentist asked his patient to open her mouth.
Is this your house? Robert, your handwriting is difficult to read.
Michael is showing his tortoise to his friends.
My sister lost her way in the city.
The lion is chasing its prey

## Possessive determiners :

|  | Singular | Plural |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| First person | my | Our |
| Second person | your | Your |
| Third person | his <br> her <br> its | Their <br> their <br> their |

Exercise (10) : Choose the correct possessive adjectives from the box to fill in the blanks.
My his your her its our their

1. Is this Jane's dog? Yes, this is $\qquad$ dog.
2. The dog is chasing $\qquad$ own tail.
3. Peter, is $\qquad$ father at home?
4. Rudy is showing $\qquad$ stamps to Ali.
5. I am going to $\qquad$ aunt's house this evening.
6. We always keep $\qquad$ classroom clean.
7. Children, have you all finished $\qquad$ homework?
8. The children are proud of $\qquad$ school

## III ADJECTIVES

Example: The snake is long and green.
The painting is extremely old.
The baseball team is good.
Exercise (11): Underline the adjectives in the following

- Today is cloudy, hot, and humid.
- The man wearing a blue suit is young.
- The runner is very fast.
- He is a good basketball player.
- Alamance Community College is a great place to learn.
- The blue bus is late.
- The rusty truck has an oversized trailer.
- Jane is so smart!

1. Kinds of Adjectives:

| Possessive adjective: my, your, his, her, its, our, their |
| :--- |
| Demonstrative adjective : this, these, that, those |
| Interrogative adjective which or what |
| Indefinite adjective: many, any, some, much |
| Descriptive adjective: Happy, sad, angry, interesting, exited |
| Distributive adjective: Each, every |

## 2. Forming adjectives

a. Adjectives have different endings.

An adjective that ends in -less is the opposite of the same adjective that ends in -ful.

| careful | - careless |
| :--- | :--- |
| useful | - useless |
| colorful | - colorless |
| harmful - | - harmless |

ful means having a lot of something. -less ending means without.
b. Some adjectives end in -y :
a dirty street a noisy room an oily pot a sleepy passenger a sunny day
c. Some adjectives end in -ive.
an active child an attractive hat a creative toy
d. Some adjectives end in -ing
a caring nurse an interesting book loving parents matching clothes
e. Some adjectives end in -ly

| a costly diamond ring an elderly woman lively kittens <br> a lonely boy a lovely girl a weekly magazine |
| :--- | :--- |

f. some adjectives with the endings -able, -al, -en, -ible, -ish and -ous

| a foolish act | a childish behavior |
| :--- | :--- |
| a woolen sweater | a national costume |
| a horrible smell | a comfortable chair |
| a wooden table |  |
| a loveable koala | a musical instrument <br> a dangerous place <br> a terrible mess |

Exercise (12) :Add the correct endings to turn these words into adjectives.

| wind | -en -y -ing -ish -ous -ly- full |
| :--- | :--- |
| fool |  |
| gold |  |
| charm |  |
| friend |  |
| child |  |
| rot |  |
| peace |  |
| mud |  |
| nation |  |
| forget |  |
| dust |  |
| Spot |  |
| Play |  |

## 3. Comparison of Adjectives

- Equal Comparisons
$\Rightarrow$ To show an equal comparison, you need to use an adjective between the subordinating conjunctions "as".
$\Rightarrow$ To show an equal comparison, use the form: as [adjective] as
Example: Julia is as tall as the bookshelf.
The water is as cold as ice.
Exercise (13): Fill in the spaces with the appropriate comparative adjective.

1. The light shines as $\qquad$ as the sun.
2. The runner moves as $\qquad$ as the wind.
3. The apple is as $\qquad$ as a fire truck.
4. The giraffe is as $\qquad$ as the tree.
5. That clock is as as my grandfather.

## - Comparative form of the adjective.

When you compare two people or things, use Lots of comparative adjectives end in -er. The word than is often used with comparative adjectives.

| e.g. Jack is taller than John. | A sports car is faster than a <br> motorbike |
| :--- | :--- |

More examples :

| cheap | cheaper |
| :--- | :--- |
| clear | clearer |
| loud | louder |
| new | newer |
| old | older |
| rich | richer |
| short | shorter |
| tall | taller |
| slow | Slower |
| thick | thicker |

Exercise (14) Make comparative sentences. (Short adjectives)

1. Chile - Long - Peru
2. The winter - bad - the fall $\qquad$
3. A cheetah - fast - a lion $\qquad$
4. Brazil - big - Argentina $\qquad$

- Superlative form of an adjective

It is used to compare three or more nouns. Lots of superlatives end in -
e.g. Mount Everest is the highest mountain in the world. Peter is the tallest boy in his class. est. You often add the
before the superlative form.

| long | longer | longest |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| dark | darker | darkest |
| thick | thicker | thickest |
| clean | cleaner | cleanest |
| easy | easier | easiest |
| fat | fatter | fattest |
| flat | flatter | flattest |
| heavy | heavier | heaviest |
| hot | hotter | hottest |
| narrow | narrower narrowest |  |
| noisy | noisier | noisiest |
| simple | simpler | simplest |
| thin | thinner | thinnest |
| wet | wetter | wettest |

- Some adjectives have two syllables and end in $-\mathbf{y}$. With these adjectives change the $\mathbf{y}$ to $\mathbf{i}$. Then add -er to form the comparative, and -est to form the superlative.

| Busy | busier | busiest |
| :--- | :--- | ---: |
| dirty | dirtier | dirtiest |
| happy | happier | happiest |
| pretty | prettier | prettiest |

Exercise (15): Fill in the gaps with the appropriate comparative adjective.

1. Yuki was at school $\qquad$ (early) than I was.
2. Rice is $\qquad$ (sticky) than salad.
3. This exercise is $\qquad$ (tricky) than the last one.
4. My little brother is $\qquad$ (silly) than I am.

- With some adjectives, you use more to make the comparative form, and most to make the superlative form.

| Active | more active | most active |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| charming | more charming | most charming |
| cheerful | more cheerful | most cheerful |
| comfortable | more comfortable | most comfortable |
| delicious | more delicious | most delicious |

Exercise (16): Fill in the gaps with the appropriate comparative adjective.

1. Her motorcycle is $\qquad$ (dangerous) than my car.
2. Gold is $\qquad$ (expensive) than silver.
3. Butterflies are $\qquad$
$\qquad$ (beautiful) than snakes.
4. The grey jacket is $\qquad$ (colorful) than the pink one.
5. I am (tired) now than I was this morning.

- Adjectives that form their comparative and superlative with more and most are usually adjectives with two or more syllables,

| ac-tive | ex-pen-sive | beau-ti-ful |
| :--- | :---: | :--- |
| fa-mous | charm-ing | for-tu-nate |
| cheer-ful | in-tel-li-gent | com-fort-a-ble |
| pow-er-ful | de-li-cious | val-u-a-ble |

- The comparative and superlative forms of some adjectives are completely different words.

| Little | less | least |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| good | better | best |
| bad | worse | worst |
| few | less | least |
| many | more | most |
| much | more | most |

With these adjectives, you don't add er or more to form the comparative, or -est or most to form the superlative.

Exercise (17):Choose the correct alternative for each sentence. (Comparatives or Superlatives)

1. I think that's $\qquad$ film l've ever seen
a) the funnier than
b) the funny
c) the funniest
d) the funnier
2. Is football the $\qquad$ sport in Chile?
a) popular
b) more popular
c) popularest
d) most popular
3. Vegetables are $\qquad$ last week
a) expensiver than b)more expensiver tham c) more expensive than d) most expensive
4. I think Vladimir is $\qquad$ intelligent person in the class
a) more than
b) the most
c) most
d) the more
5. Don't you think there are $\qquad$ things to do on holidays than watching TV all day?
a) best
b) bestest
c) better
d) better than
6. Summer is $\qquad$ season in our country
a) the hottest
b) hotter than
c) the hot
d) hot
7. Greenland has the $\qquad$ weather of the world. It's always raining and snowing
a) bad
b) worse than
c) worst
d) worsest
8. The Everest is $\qquad$ the Aconcagua
a) the highest
b) highest than
c) the higher than
d) higher than
9. Last week we had $\qquad$ day in Santiago, the temperature was $-18^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$
a) the colder
b) the coldest
c) the cold
d) colder than
10. To fall from a motorcycle is $\qquad$ to fall from a bicycle.
a) more painful
b) more painful than
c) painfuller than
d) the painfullest

## 4. Order of Adjectives

a. In English, it is common to use more than one adjective to describe a noun. These adjectives must be used in the proper order

| e.g. Here is a beautiful, red, cloth flag. |
| :--- |
| Why does beautiful come before red? |
| Why does red come before cloth? |

b. Understanding the proper order of adjectives takes practice. Use the following table to practice using the proper order of adjectives in the following sentences.

| number | opinion | size | age | shape | color | origin | Material | purpose | Noun |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  |  | small |  | round |  | German |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | red |  |  | sleeping |  |
|  | generous |  | old |  |  |  |  |  | man |
| four |  |  |  |  |  |  | Metal |  |  |

Exercise (18) : Choose the correct order of adjectives in the following sentences.

1. The woman is wearing a $\qquad$ dress.
a. yellow long
b. long yellow
2. He is a $\qquad$ man.
a. tall thin
b. thin tall
3. The company makes $\qquad$ products.
a. excellent farming
b. farming excellent
4. James recently departed on a $\qquad$ trip.
a. camping long
b. long camping
c.
5. I love eating $\qquad$ strawberries.
a. red big
b. big red
6. The $\qquad$ woman did well on the test.
a. intelligent young
b. young intelligent
7. The ticket costs $\qquad$ dollars.
a. ten US
b. US ten
8. The scientists have found a $\qquad$ cure for the disease.
a. new great
b. great new
9. I am going to wear my $\qquad$ tie to the wedding.
a. big cotton blue
b. blue big cotton
c. big blue cotton
10. Please recycle those $\qquad$ bottles.
a. three water empty b. three empty water c. water empty three
11. She packed her clothes in a $\qquad$ box.
a. green flimsy cardbbardflimsy green cardboard cardboard flimsy green
12. Their dog is a $\qquad$ shepherd.
a. brown big
b. big brown
German German
c. German big brown
13. I am drinking from a $\qquad$ cup.
a. small English tea
b. tea small English
c. English small tea
14. My $\qquad$ teacher talks for hours!
a. philosophy old boring
c. boring philosophy old
b. old philosophy boring
d. boring old philosophy

## IV. ADVERBS



## 1. Position of adverles

Adverbs come in various places in the sentence. There are basically three positions:

| Front position : adverb + subject (+auxiliary) ain verb (+object) |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Mid-position : subject (+auxiliary) adverb main verb |
| (+object) |



## Exercise (19) : Which of the following sentences is correct?

1. Never
a) I have never seen a whale.
b) I never have seen a whale.
c) Never I have seen a whale.
2. Seldom
a) I am seldom late for work.
b) Seldom I am late for work.
c) I seldom am late for work.
3. Always
a) I get up early always.
b) Always I get up early.
c) I always get up early.
4. Sometimes
a) It sometimes gets very windy here.
b) Sometimes it gets very windy here.
c) Both sentences are correct.

## 5. Often

a) My boss is often bad-tempered.
b) My boss often is bad-tempered.
c) My boss is bad-tempered often.
6. Usually
a) I usually get up early.
b) Usually I get up early.
c) Both sentences are correct.
7. Occasionally
a) I occasionally go there.
b) I go there occasionally.
c) Both sentences are correct.
8. Still
a) Still I work.
b) I still work.
c) Both sentences are correct.
9. Just
a) She just has gone out.
b) She has just gone out.
c) She has gone out just.

## 2. Order of aduerles when tagether

There is a basic order in which adverbs will appear when there is more than one.

Exercise (20):_put the adverbs in the box onto the scale in the correct order

| Always occasionally sometimes Hardly ever often usually |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |


| 1.................. | 2................ | 3............... |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 4.................... | 5.................... | 6.................... |
| newer |  |  |
| $100 \%$ |  | $0 \%$ |


| If the adjective ends in $-\boldsymbol{y}$, replace it |
| :---: | :---: |
| with -i and then add -ly. |
| Adjective Adverb <br> Happy happily <br> Angry angrily <br> Lucky luckily |.

If the adjective ends in -ic, add -ally.

| Adjective | Adverb |
| :---: | :---: |
| basic | Basically |
| economic | Economically |

This rule, however, has an exception. The adverb formed from
public is publicly, and not publically.

## 3. Formation of adverbs

## Exercise (21): Rewrite the following adjectives as adverbs.

1. slow $\qquad$ 7. tidy $\qquad$
2. cool $\qquad$ 8. quiet $\qquad$
3. beautiful $\qquad$ 9. brave $\qquad$
4. comfortable $\qquad$ 10. merry $\qquad$
5. strong $\qquad$ 11. soft $\qquad$
6. wise $\qquad$ 12. busy $\qquad$

## 4. Comparison of adverbs

There are three forms: - positive - comparative - superlative

> A - Comparison with -er/-est
hard - harder - (the) hardest
We use -er/-est with the following adverbs:

1) all adverbs with one syllable

| Fast | Faster | fastest |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| High | Higher | highest |

## B - Comparison with more - most

carefully - more carefully - (the) most carefully adverbs ending on -ly (not: early)

| C- Irregular adverbs |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Well | better | Best |
| Badly | worse | Worst |
| Much | more | Most |
| Little | less | Least |
| Late | later | Last |
| Far | farther <br> further | farthest <br> furthest |

Exercise (22) :FFill in the blank with the correct comparative form of the adverb (in parentheses):

Eg: He is singing more loudly than the other singers. (loudly)

1. He arrived $\qquad$ than expected. (early)
2. We walked $\qquad$ than the rest of the people. (slowly)
3. They called us $\qquad$ in the afternoon. (late)
4. He hit his arm $\qquad$ than before. (hard)
5. The Spanish athlete ran $\qquad$ than the other runners. (fast)
6. Jim threw the ball $\qquad$ than Peter. (far)
7. We answered all the questions $\qquad$ than the other students. (well)
8. Our new teacher explains the exercises $\qquad$ than our old teacher. (badly)
9. The new mechanic checked the car $\qquad$ than the old mechanic. (thoroughly)

## V. Pronouns

A pronoun can replace a noun or another pronoun. You use pronouns like "he," "which," "none," and "you" to make your sentences less cumbersome and less repetitive.

## 1. Kinds of pronouns

A personal pronoun refers to a specific person or thing and changes its form to indicate person, number, gender, and case.

|  | Subjective | Objective |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $1^{\text {st }}$ singular person $2^{\text {nd }}$ singular person $3^{\text {rd }}$ singular person <br> $1^{\text {st }}$ plural person $2^{\text {nd }}$ plural person $3^{\text {rd }}$ plural person | I You She He It We You they Example: Martha works for a cellular company. She has to travel to Orlando every week. | Me <br> You <br> Her <br> Him <br> It <br> Us <br> You <br> them <br> Examples: <br> Not long ago, the chief executive officer of the company gave us a bonus. <br> The phone call was for me. |

Exercise (23): Each of the sentences below contains a pronoun. Identify the person (first, second, or third) of the pronoun and whether
the pronoun is singular or plural and subjective or objective.

1. Christopher couldn't find it.
2. Leave it to her to find the discrepancies.
3. To whom should Kyle speak then?
4. In the end, they would have rather gone through the chaos twice over than lose all that they had gained.

Other types of pronouns


| different perspective. |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Indefinite Pronouns <br> Indefinite pronouns are considered indefinite because they do not refer directly to a clearly specified noun. |  |  | Demonstrative Pronouns |
| Always Singular | Sometime <br> s <br> Singular- <br> Sometime <br> s Plural | Always Plural | this, that, these, those <br> Examples: <br> Are those the shoes you wanted? <br> Are these the shoes you wanted? <br> These ideas are what led to the fall. |
| another/other no <br> /one/nobody anyone/anybo dy nothing anything one each somebody/so meone either/neither something everyone/ everybody everything little/much <br> Examples : | all <br> any <br> more most none some | both few many others several | Reciprocal Pronouns |
| Someone has to (singular) Neither of the comfortable. Most of the au type of persuas Each of the stu his/her favorite plural) <br> More of the stu semester. (plur None of his cer finished. (sing | take out the <br> articipants w ngular) ence respond n. (plural) ents identifie hobbies. (sin <br> ents leave e ) al was ar) | ash. <br> to this <br> a few of ular, <br> ly this | These pronouns are actually phrases made up of pairs of pronounsone another and each other. <br> Examples: <br> The athletes defended one another both on and off the field. <br> Jane and Bill are fond of each other |

Exercise (24): Fill in the blanks with the correct reflexive pronouns from the box.

| Yourselves <br> himself <br> herself | themselves <br> yourself | itself |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | | ourselves |
| :---: |

1. No one can help us. We have to help $\qquad$ .
2. Jane always makes the bed by $\qquad$ .
3. They painted the wall all by $\qquad$ .
4. I hurt $\qquad$ in the playground yesterday.
5. John, you must behave $\qquad$ before your friends.
6. Children, you must do the homework $\qquad$ .
7. Tom defended $\qquad$ against the bullies.
8. The dog is scratching $\qquad$ .

## VI. Conjunctions



Exercise (25): Join the sentences using the conjunctions in the brackets.

1. The boys sang in the hall. The girls sang in the hall. (and)
2. I was sick. I did no attend the football practice. (so)
3. Please do not take part in the competition. You are well-prepared for it. (until)
4. I was afraid of the dark. I did not go into the kitchen. (so)
5. Larry does not like coffee. Mary does not like coffee. (and)
6. We stood and waited for the bus. Our legs ache. (until)
7. I was angry with my father. He was late. (because)
8. She is late. She is not worried about it. (although)

Exercise (26): Combine the following sentences using paired conjunctions.

1. Judy will go to the dance with Don, or she will go to the dance with Bob.
2. The boys don't want to study tonight. The boys don't want to work tonight
3. I bought a new pen yesterday. I bought a new pencil yesterday.
4. Mrs. Jones didn't see the movie. Mrs. Smith didn't see the movie.
5. Tom went to the party late. Steve went to the party late.
6. The cats don't like the food. The dog doesn't like the food.

## VII. Prepositions

A preposition is one of the eight parts of speech. Specifically, a preposition is a connector: its function is to connect a noun or pronoun (called the object of the preposition) to another word in a sentence. It also shows how that noun or pronoun (its object) is related to the other word.

Commonly used prepositions:

| Above | behind | for | since |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| About | below | from | to |
| Across | beneath | in | toward |
| After | beside | inside | through |
| Against | between | into | under |
| along | beyond | like | until |
| Among | by | near | up |
| Around | down | of | Upon |
| At | during | off | with |
| Before | except | on | Within |

## Examples

| Jane fell on the floor. (direction) |
| :--- |
| He retired after his seventieth birthday. (time) |
| The girl is standing beside her mother. (location) |
| The students finished the English exam within an hour. <br> (time) |

Sometimes prepositions occur as combinations. The following examples are some of the more common of these compound prepositions:

| ahead of | apart from | as a consequence of | in spite of | because of |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| on behalf of | in advance of | instead of | along with | in addition to |
| according to | in case of | for fear of | at the risk of | together with |
| in favor of | with the <br> exception of | next to | as a result of | up against |

## Examples

1. As a result of the flood, we had to move out of our home.
2. Instead of going to Sea World this summer, we are going to Fiesta Texas.

Exercise (27): Fill the gaps with the correct prepositions.

1. We live ___London.
2. Would you like to go $\qquad$ the cinema tonight?
3. No, thanks. I was $\qquad$ the cinema yesterday.
4. We are going $\qquad$ holiday next week.
5. There is a bridge $\qquad$ the river.
6. The flight from Leipzig to London was $\qquad$ Frankfurt.
7. ___ my wall, there are many picture postcards.
8. Who is the person $\qquad$ this picture?
9. Come $\qquad$ the sitting room, we want to watch TV.
10. Munich lies 530 meters $\qquad$ sea level

| Preposition | Use | Examples |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| In | in months | in July; in September |
|  | year | in 1985; in 1999 |
|  | seasons | in summer; in the summer of 69 |
|  | part of the day | in the morning; in the afternoon; in the evening |
|  | duration | in a minute; in two weeks |
| At | part of the day | at night |
|  | time of day | at 6 o'clock; at midnight |
|  | celebrations | at Christmas; at Easter |
|  | fixed phrases | at the same time |
| On | days of the week | on Sunday; on Friday |
|  | date | on the 25th of December* |
|  | special holidays | on Good Friday; on Easter Sunday; on my birthday |
|  | a special part of a day | on the morning of September the 11th* |
| After | later than sth. | after school |
| Ago | how far sth. happened (in the past) | 6 years ago |
| Before | earlier than sth. | before Christmas |
| Between | time that separates two points | between Monday and Friday |
| By | not later than a special time | by Thursday |
| During | through the whole of a period of time | during the holidays |
| For | period of time | for three weeks |
| from ... to from... till/until | two points form a period |   <br> from Monday to <br> Wednesday  <br> from Monday till <br> Wednesday  <br> from Monday until <br> Wednesday  |
| Past | time of the day | 23 minutes past 6 (6:23) |
| Since | point of time | since Monday |
| till/until | no later than a special time | till tomorrow/ until tomorrow |
| To | time of the day | 23 minutes to 6 (5:37) |
| up to | not more than a special time | up to 6 hours a day |
| Within | during a period of time | within a day |

1. Prepositions of time

Exercise (28): Put in the correct preposition (at, in, on, or no preposition):

- There was a loud noise which woke us up $\qquad$ midnight.
- Do you usually eat chocolate eggs $\qquad$ Easter?
- What are you doing $\qquad$ the weekend?
- ___ last week, I worked until 9pm $\qquad$ every night.
- My father always reads the paper $\qquad$ breakfast time.
- She plays tennis $\qquad$ Fridays.
- The trees here are really beautiful $\qquad$ the spring.
- I'll see you $\qquad$ Tuesday afternoon, then.
- Shakespeare died $\qquad$ 1616.
- She studies $\qquad$ every day.

2. Prepositions of place at, in, on

| In | A person lives: <br> In a country and in a city | Rebecca lives in the united states. <br> She lives in New York City |
| :---: | :--- | :--- |
| On | On a street, avenue, road, etc | She lives on Pine Street. |
| at | At a street address | She lives at 1089 Pine street |

3. Prepositions of Position

| at the <br> back of | at the <br> bottom of | at the top <br> of | behind | between | in the <br> corner <br> of | in the <br> middle of |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| next to | to the left of | on the <br> other side <br> of | to the <br> right of | on the <br> side of | on top <br> of | Opposite |

4. Prepositions of Movement

The most common preposition of movement is to, but there are lots of others

## Example :

- Walk through the exit of room two and enter into building number three.
- Walk across the indoor garden to reach room number five.
- Walk past the side entrance to reach the main entrance.
- There is a large garden in the middle of the skyscraper.
- The smallest room is located to the left of the internal garden.
- The entrance to room number three is opposite the entrance to room number two.


## VIII. Verbs \& tenses

## 1. Main verbs are also called "lexical verbs"

Main verbs have meaning on their own (unlike helping verbs). There are thousands of main verbs, and we can classify them in several ways:
a. Transitive and intransitive verbs

A transitive verb takes a direct object: Somebody killed the President. An intransitive verb does not have a direct object: He died. Many verbs, like speak, can be transitive or intransitive. Look at these examples

| transitive: |  | intransitive: |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| I saw an elephant. |  | He has arrived. |
| We are watching TV. | $\bullet$ | John goes to school. |
| He speaks English. | $\bullet$ | She speaks fast. |

## b. Linking verbs

A linking verb does not have much meaning in itself. It "links" the subject to what is said about the subject. Usually, a linking verb shows equality ( $=$ ) or a change to a different state or place (>). Linking verbs are always intransitive (but not all intransitive verbs are linking verbs).

- Mary is a teacher. (Mary = teacher)
- Tara is beautiful. (Tara = beautiful)
- That sounds interesting. (that $=$ interesting)
- The sky became dark. (the sky > dark)
- The bread has gone bad. (bread >bad)
c. Dynamic and stative verbs

Some verbs describe action. They are called "dynamic", and can be used with continuous tenses. Other verbs describe state (non-action, a situation). They are called "stative", and cannot normally be used with continuous tenses (though some of them can be used with continuous tenses with a change in meaning).

| Dynamic verbs (examples): |  | Stative verbs (examples): |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| hit, explode, fight, run, go | $\bullet$ | be |
|  | - like, love, prefer, wish |  |
|  | - impress, please, surprise |  |
|  | $\bullet$ hear, see, sound |  |
|  | $\bullet$ belong to, consist of, contain, |  |
|  |  | include, need |
|  |  | appear, resemble, seem |

## d. Regular and irregular verbs

This is more a question of vocabulary than of grammar. The only real difference between regular and irregular verbs is that they have different endings for their past tense and past participle forms.
regular verbs: base, past tense, past participle

- look, looked, looked
- work, worked, worked
irregular verbs: base, past tense, past participle
- buy, bought, bought
- cut, cut, cut
- do, did, done


## 2. Helping Verbs

All helping verbs are used with a main verb (either expressed or understood*). There are 2 groups of helping verbs:

- Primary helping verbs, used mainly to change the tense or voice of the main verb, and in making questions and negatives.
- Modal helping verbs, used to change the "mood" of the main verb.

| Helping Verbs |  |  | Modal |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: |
| Primary | (to make simple <br> tenses, and questions <br> and negatives) | Can | Could |  |
| Be | (to make continuous <br> tenses, and the <br> passive voice) | May | Might |  |
| Have(to make perfect <br> tenses) | Will | Would |  |  |
|  | Shall | Should |  |  |
|  | Must | ought (to) |  |  |
| "Do", "be" and "have" as <br> helping verbs have exactly the <br> same forms as when they <br> are main verbs (except that as <br> helping verbs they are never <br> used in infinitive forms). | Modal helping verbs are <br> invariable. They always <br> have the same form. |  |  |  |
| Primary helping verbs are <br> followed by the main verb in <br> a particular form: <br> do + V1 (base verb) <br> be + -ing (present participle) <br> have + V3 (past participle) | "Ought" is followed by the <br> main verb in infinitive form. |  |  |  |
| Other modal helping verbs <br> are followed by the main <br> verb in its base form (V1). <br> ought + to... (infinitive) <br> other modals + V1 (base <br> verb) |  |  |  |  |
| "Do", "be" and "have" can also <br> function as main verbs. | Modal helping verbs cannot <br> function as main verbs. |  |  |  |

Exercise (29) : In each sentence, underline the helping verb with a single line and the main verb with two lines.

EXAMPLE: I am reading about the Junior Olympics.

1. She was racing in a wheelchair race.
2. Sarah had joined the Wheelchair Athlete Club.
3. The racers were using special racing wheelchairs.
4. They are training several times a week.
5. They have lifted weights too.
6. Sarah has raced for several years.
7. She will race many more times.
8. She is practicing for next year's Olympics.
9. The Junior Olympics are held every summer.
10. The games were started in 1967.

Exercise (30): Complete the following sentences by writing suitable helping verbs on the lines provided. Then, underline the entire verb phrase.
EXAMPLE 1. Did the teacher explain?
1.

## ___ you ever seen a Kabuki play?

2. His car $\qquad$ going too fast for safety.
3. I $\qquad$ waiting for Helen.
4. $\qquad$ you met my mother?
5. It $\qquad$ be later than you think.
6. Edena $\qquad$ becoming an excellent soccer player.
7. If he $\qquad$ read better, he $\qquad$ learn more.
8. There $\qquad$ been serious consequences.
9. Mr. Prinz $\qquad$ not $\qquad$ persuaded to change.
10. $\qquad$ you read "For My People" by Margaret Walker

## 2. Tenses

| Past | Present | Future |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |





|  | had + been + a present participle | have/has + been + a present participle | 1. will have + been + a present participle <br> 2. BE (is/are)+ going to have + been + present participle | $\begin{aligned} & 7 \\ & 0 \\ & 3 \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1. an action or habitual action taking place over a period of time in the past, prior to some other event or time. <br> 2. in complex sentences: a past action in progress (main clause) that was interrupted by a more recent past action <br> 1. The teacher had been assigning five problems a day prior to midterms. <br> 2. The teacher had been planning to have an inclass exam, but she had a takehome exam instead. | 1. a situation, habit or action that began in the past and continues up to the present (and possibly into the future) <br> 1. The teacher has been meeting with students in her office every day | 1. By the time you get here, I will have been studying for <br> The final for eight hours. <br> 1. By the time you get here, I will have been studying for The final for eight hours. | C |

Exercise (31): Fill in the spaces with the correct form of the verb in any aspect of the past tense.

Eric and Ilsa are brother and sister. They (grow) $\qquad$
(1) up together in the city that used to be known as West

Berlin, in the former West Germany. Eric (move) $\qquad$
$\qquad$ (2) to the United States decades ago, before the
eastern and western parts of both Berlin and Germany were reunited in 1990.

Ilsa and her family (visit) $\qquad$ (3)Eric and his family last year. Ilsa's Family (fly) $\qquad$ (4) from Berlin to Detroit for the visit. Although the children (never, meet) (5) before, except through e-mail,
the families(have) $\qquad$ (6) a great time together.

Every day for a week, the adults and the children (play) $\qquad$ (7), talking, and eating together. One day, they (cook) $\qquad$ (8) some German recipes that (be) (9) in the family for generations. For years, Ilsa (save) $\qquad$ _ $\qquad$ (10) them and treasuring them in a box their mother (give) $\qquad$ (11) her just before she (die) $\qquad$ (12). One of their mother's favorites (be) $\qquad$ (13) a dessert called Apple Kuchen.

One night after everyone else (already, go)
(14) to bed, Eric and Ilsa (quietly, sit) (15) and talking. "What have you (miss) (16) most about Berlin?" Ilsa wanted to know.

Eric (pause) $\qquad$ (17), then answered, "Mostly, I miss living in a city with such wonderful landmarks. The kids and I (look) $\qquad$
$\qquad$ _ (18) (18) at some books about Berlin and Germany for a while before you and your family (arrive) $\qquad$ (19). We (discuss) $\qquad$ (20) the Brandenburg Gate when Franz interrupted to ask why its image (use) $\qquad$
$\qquad$ (21) as a design on some of the coins back when Germany had converted its money to euros."
"What (do) ___ (22) you tell him?" Ilsa asked. "I (say) ___ (23) that I (not, be) $\qquad$ (24) sure," answered Eric, "but that I (think) ___ (25) it was because the gate (become) ____(26) a symbol for Germany, like the Statue of Liberty had emerged as a symbol for the United States."

Exercise (32) :Fill in the spaces with the correct form of the verb in any aspect of the present tense.

Ring! Ring!
Beto: Hello.

## Justin: May I please speak to Beto?

Beto: Yes, this is he.
Justin: Beto! How (be) $\qquad$ (1) you? This is Justin.

Beto: Ahhh...Justin! I (be) $\qquad$ (2) fine. How are you?

Justin: I'm great, thanks.
Beto: That (be) $\qquad$ (3) good. So, what's up?

Justin: Well, I (have) $\qquad$ (4) a question for you.

Beto: Sure.
Justin: My motorcycle (be) $\qquad$ (5) broken. I (try)
$\qquad$ (6) 6) to repair it for days. I (no, know)
$\qquad$ fix) (7) what is wrong with it. I (no, can, (8) it.

Justin: Have you tried to start it?
Beto: Yes, I (try) $\qquad$ (9) to start it many times, but it just won't work. The motorcycle is pretty new. I just got it last November.
Beto: Hmm. Well, what (happen) $\qquad$ (10) when you try to start it? What kind of noise does it make?
$\qquad$ (11) a strange sound. Then the engine (die) $\qquad$ (12).

Beto: Okay. (You, stand) $\qquad$
beside it right now?
Justin: Yes.
Beto: Okay. There are some things that you need to check.
First, you need to inspect the spark plugs.
Justin: Hold on. Okay, I (inspect) $\qquad$

them under a light now. They look clean.Beto: Okay, that's good.

Now, you need to check the oil. It's possible that you don't have enough.
Justin: Hold on. Okay, I (check) $\qquad$ (15) the oil right now. It (look) $\qquad$ (16) clean, and the tank is full. I
just filled it up last week, so I didn't think that would be the problem.
Beto: Okay, that's good. Now you need to test the battery. (You, have) $\qquad$ (17) a battery tester?

Justin: Yes, I do. My brother got me one for my birthday. Let's see...okay, I (use) $\qquad$ (18) it right now. The
battery (appear) $\qquad$ (19) to be full of life.

Beto: Hmm. That is strange. I (wonder) $\qquad$ (20) what the problem could be!
Justin: Yes...very strange. I (not, understand) $\qquad$
is trash. He
(not, think)
(21) it. My brother thinks the motorcycle
$\qquad$ (22) it will
ever start again. He (say)___(23)l $\overline{\text { need to take it to the }}$ junkyard.
Beto: That's too bad. Well, there (be) $\qquad$ (24) one more thing you can check.
Justin: Really?
Beto: Yes, but I am sure you (check) $\qquad$
it already. It's probably the first thing you thought of.
Justin: Well, what is it?
Beto: The gas level.
Justin: Wait! I (not, check)
that yet! Hold on! I (check) $\qquad$ (27) the gas level now.
Beto: Well, what (do) ___ (28) it look like?
Justin: It (look) (29) empty! Wow, that (be)
$\qquad$ (30) the problem. How embarrassing. I am sorry that I bothered
you about this! Beto: That's okay. The same thing (happen) $\qquad$ (31) to me before. You had better go
get some gas! Talk you to you later!
Justin: Okay, thanks!
Exercise (33): Choose the correct form of the verb in any aspect of the future tense.
Carrie has been training her dog, Jack, for competition for the past six months. Carrie is Jack's "handler," and together they are a team. If Jack is ready, Carrie (take) $\qquad$
him to a rally in a nearby city this coming September. Carrie imagines the upcoming rally. She has many questions about it. She decides to ask one of her friends, Jessica, about it. "What (2) I (do) $\qquad$ (3) at the rally, exactly?"
she asks. "You (compete) $\qquad$ (4) against other teams as they complete a course of challenging exercises," Jessica tells her. "The exercises at the rally (involve)
(5) giving commands, $\overline{\text { jumping, }} \overline{\text { pivoting }}, \overline{\text { spiraling, side }} \overline{\text { stepping, and dropping. }}$

Each exercise (be) $\qquad$ (6) numbered. As they are doing the exercises together, the handlers (talk) (7) to their dogs." "Before beginning the course," Jessica continues, "Each team (receive)
8) 200 points. Each time a team makes a mistake, a point is deducted by the judge. At the end of the course, the handlers (probably, praise) their dogs and give them food as rewards. The teams (do)
$\qquad$ (10) their best together, and therefore will deserve a rest. By the time the dogs finish eating, the judge (tally) $\qquad$ - $\qquad$ (11)each team's final score." "The dogs at the rally will not only be purebred. Lots of mixed-breed dogs (surely, participate) $\qquad$ (12) in the rally, too. There is no age limit for the dogs, either, and it has been decided that all future rallies (include) $\qquad$
$\qquad$ - $\qquad$ (13) a division for handlers ages 8 to 18 . This way, kids can get more involved." Carrie is 19 years old, and Jack is 10 . He is a Labrador mix. If they go to the rally, they (enter) $\qquad$ (14) the Level 1 competition, because it (be) $\qquad$ (15) their first rally. Rallies also include Levels 2 and 3.3 is the highest level. Carrie has a plan. She says that she (decide) $\qquad$ ____ (16) by July 4th whether Jack is ready to compete. By then, she (train) $\qquad$
$\qquad$ $-$ (17) him for eight months. She hopes they (win) (18) a blue ribbon!

## IX. ACTIVE/PASIVE VOICE

Active: My grandfather planted this tree.
Passive: This tree was planted by my grandfather.

| PASSIVE VERB <br> TENSES <br> ACTIVE VOICE | PASSIVE VOICE |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Present Simple | He delivers the <br> letters. | The letters are <br> delivered. |
| Past Simple | He delivered the <br> letters. | The letters were <br> delivered. |
| Future Simple | He will deliver the <br> letters. | The etters will be <br> delivered. |
| Present <br> Continuous | He is delivering the <br> letters. | The letters are being <br> delivered. |
| Past Continuous | He was delivering <br> the letters. | The letters were being <br> delivered. |
| Going to | He is going to <br> deliver the letters. | The letters are going to <br> be delivered. |
| Present Perfect | He has delivered <br> the letters. | The letters have been <br> delivered. |
| Past Perfect | He had delivered <br> the letters. | The letters had been <br> delivered. |
| Infinitive | He has to deliver <br> the letters. | The letters have to be <br> delivered. |
| Modals | He must deliver <br> the letters. | The letters must be <br> delivered. |

Exercise (34) : Complete the sentences with the correct passive form of the verbs in brackets. Use the Present Simple.

1. English $\qquad$ (speak) in many countries.
2. The post $\qquad$ (deliver) at about 7
o’clock every morning.
3. any more?
4. How often $\qquad$ (the
Olympic Games(hold)?
5. How $\qquad$ (your name/spell)?
6. My salary $\qquad$ (pay) every month.
7. These cars $\qquad$ (not make) in Japan.

## USE

| The Passive is used: |
| :--- |
| When the agent (=the person who does the action) is |
| unknown, unimportant or obvious from the context. |
| e.g. Jane was shot. (We don't know who shot her.) |
| This church was built in 1815. (Unimportant agent) |
| He has been arrested. (Obviously by the police) |

To make more polite or formal statements.
e.g. The car hasn't been cleaned. (more polite)
(You haven't cleaned the car. - less polite)
When the action is more important than the agent, as in processes, instructions, events, reports, headlines, new items, and advertisements.
e.g. 30 people were killed in the earthquake.

To put emphasis on the agent.
e.g. The new library will be opened by the Queen.

## Exercise (35): Choose the correct form of the verbs in brackets. <br> FIAT

> Fiat was started (started/was started) by a group of Italian businessmen in 1899. In 1903, Fiat, 1 (produced/was produced) 132 cars. Some of these cars 2 (exported/were exported) by the company to the United States and Britain. In 1920, Fiat 3 (started/was started) making cars at a new factory at Lingotto, near Turin. There was a track on the roof where the cars ${ }^{4}$ (tested/were tested) by technicians. In 1936, Fiat launched the Fiat 500. This car 5 (called/was called) the Topolino - the Italian name for Mickey Mouse. The company grew, and in 1963 Fiat ${ }^{6}$ (exported/was exported) more than 300,000 vehicles. Today, Fiat is based in Turin, and its cars 7 (sold/are sold) all over the world.

## Active to Passive



## Agatha Christie wrote this book. <br> This book was written by Agatha Christie. <br> Exercise (36) : Rewrite these sentences in the passive voice

1. Someone built this house 200 years ago.
2. A thief stole my purse.
3. The police will arrest the robbers.
4. They produce cars in this factory.
5. They serve breakfast at eight o'clock every day.
6. People throw away tones of rubbish every day.
7. They make coffee in Brazil.
8. Someone stole Jim's bike lat night.

## When use BY OR WITH?

In the passive voice, we use:
a. by with the agent to refer to by whom the action is being done.

The door was opened by Mr Black. (Mr Blak = agent)
b. with to refer to the instrument, object or material that was used for something to be done.
The door was opened with a key. (a key = the object that was used)

The omelette was made with eggs, cheese and peppers. (eggs, cheese and peppers = the material that was used)

Exercise (37) : rewrite the following sentences in the passive voice using By or With + agent

- Ms Sullivan teaches us grammar. $\qquad$
- The teacher praised him.
- The firemen took the injured to the hospital.
- An earthquake destroyed the town. $\qquad$
- The boy's work pleased the teacher. $\qquad$
- The fire damaged the building.
- Who taught you French? $\qquad$
- The manager will give you a ticket. $\qquad$


## DOUBLE OBJECT VERBS

> | When we have verbs that take two objects like, for |
| :--- |
| example, give somebody something, we can convert the |
| active sentence into a passive one in two ways: |
| by making the indirect (animate) object the subject of the |
| passive voice sentence, which is also the way that we |
| usually prefer. |
| By making the direct (inanimate) object the subject of the |
| passive voice. |
| e.g. Rick gave me (indirect object) this book (direct |
| object). |
| I was given this book by Rick. |
| This book was given to me by Rick. |
| Some of the verbs that take two objects are: give, tell, |
| send, show, bring, write, offer, pay, etc. |
| When the indirect object is alone after the verb in the |
| passive voice sentence, it needs the preposition to. |
| If the indirect object of the active voice sentence is a |
| personal pronoun it has to be changed into a subject |
| pronoun to be the subject of the passive voice sentence. |

| SUBJECT |  | OBJECT |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | $\longleftrightarrow$ | me |
| You | $\longleftrightarrow$ | you |
| He | $\longleftrightarrow$ | him |
| She | $\longleftrightarrow$ | her |
| It | $\longleftrightarrow$ | it |
| We | $\longleftrightarrow$ | us |
| You | $\longleftrightarrow$ | you |
| They | $\longleftrightarrow$ | them |

Exercise (38) : Rewrite these sentences in the passive voice.

1. They sell oysters in the shop next door.
2. They haven't delivered the food yet.
3. Shakespeare wrote King Lear.
4. They have to answer the questions on this sheet.
5. Has anybody put the cases upstairs?

## X. Reported Speech

## 1. Reporting Statements

a. If the introductory sentence starts in the present (Susan says), there is no backshift of tenses in Reported speech.

Example: Direct speech: Susan says: "I work in an office."
Reported speech: Susan says that she works in an office.
b. If the introductory sentence starts in the past (Susan said), there is often backshift of tensesin Reported speech. (see: Note)

Example: Susan said: "I work in an office."
Susan said that she worked in an office.

| Backshift of tenses |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| from | to |
| Peter: "I work in the garden." | Peter said that he worked in the garden. |
| Peter: "I worked in the garden." | Peter said that he had worked in the garden. |
| Peter: "I have worked in the garden." |  |
| Peter: "I had worked in the garden." |  |
| Peter: "I will work in the garden." | Peter said that he would work in the garden. |
| Peter: "I can work in the garden." | Peter said that he could work in the garden. |
| Peter: "I may work in the garden." | Peter said that he might work in the garden. |
| Peter: "I would work in the garden." (could, might, should, ought to) | Peter said that he would work in the garden. (could, might, should, ought to) |
| Progressive forms |  |
| Peter: "I'm working in the garden." | Peter said that he was working in the garden. |
| Peter: "I was working in the garden." | Peter said that he had been working in the garden. |
| Peter: "I have been working in the garden." |  |
| Peter: "I had been working in the garden." |  |

$>$ Shifting of expressions of time

| this (evening) | that (evening) |
| :--- | :--- |
| today/this day | that day |
| these (days) | those (days) |
| now | Then |
| (a week) ago | (a week) before |
| last weekend | the weekend before / the previous weekend |
| here | There |
| next (week) | the following (week) |
| tomorrow | the next/following day |

Note:
In some cases the backshift of tenses is not necessary, e.g. when statements are still true.
John: "My brother is at Leipzig university."
John said that his brother was at Leipzig university. or
John said that his brother is at Leipzig university.
or
Mandy: "The sun rises in the East."
Mandy said that the sun rose in the East. or Mandy said that the sun rises in the East.

Exercise (39) : These people are saying these things. Report them, using says that.

- Paul: "Atlanta is a wonderful city."
- Ruth: "I go jogging every
morning." $\qquad$
Anna: "Jenny isn't studying for her exams." $\qquad$
- Andrew: "I used to be very fat." $\qquad$
- Jim: "I can’t swim."


## 2. Reported questions

$>$ If you put a question into Reported speech there are some steps which are the same like in statements: (changing of the person, backshift of tenses, changing of expressions of time).
> In Reported speech there is no question anymore, the sentence becomes a statement.
That's why the word order is: subject - verb

Question without question words (yes/no questions):
Peter: "Do you play football?"

- Peter asked me whether (if) I played football.

Question with question words:
Peter: "When do you play football?"

- Peter asked me when I played football.


## 3. Reported commands

If you put a command into Reported speech there are some steps which are the same like instatements: (changing of the person, backshift of tenses, changing of expressions of time). The form is mostly: form of to tell + to + infinitive.

| Affirmative commands | Negative commands |
| :--- | :--- |
| Father: "Do your homework." | Teacher. "Don't talk to your |
| neighbour." |  |
| Father told me todo my | The teacher told me not <br> to talk to my neighbour. |
| homework. |  |

Exercise 40 : Rewrite these sentences in reported speech.

- "Make some coffee, Bob", Carol said.(ask)
- "You must do the homework soon, Jane", she said.(tell)
- "Remember to buy a map, Ann" he said.(remind)
- "You should see a doctor, Mrs Clark", he said.(advise)
- "Keep all the windows closed, Bill" they said.(warn)
- "Go home, Paul", Francis said.(tell)
- "Please stay for supper, Bob", he said.(try to persuade)

4. For suggestions: suggest
"Let's stop now" He suggested stopping then
He suggested that they should stop
Exercise (41) Rewrite the sentences with the gerund or the infinitive and the in reported speech.
"I'll bring my CDs to the party." He promised to bring his CDs to the party.

- "Let's go to the cinema tonight, shall we? She suggested
- "Yes, I stole the wallet." He admitted
- "Be careful! The water is boiling." She warned us
- "You must apologise to your teacher." My father insisted (on)
- "All right! l'll share the expenses with you." My friend agreed

5. For exclamatory sentences:

He said, "Thank you"
He said, "Curse the wind"
He said, "Welcome"
He said, "Happy birthday" birthday
He said, "Congratulations"
He said, "Liar"

He thanked me
He cursed the wind
He welcomed me
He wished me a happy
He congratulated me
He called me a liar.

## XI. Conditional



## Definition and types of conditionals

To talk about things that are possible, you often use if in a sentence. A sentence with if is called a conditional sentence.

- If it rains tomorrow, we shall not go to the beach.
- If there's no rice in the cupboard, we'll buy some more.
- If we don't work hard, we'll never learn.
- If we leave now, we'll arrive on time.
- We'll play indoors if it rains.
- You'll get sick if you don't eat good food.
- Sam will do well in his piano recital if he practices
regularly.

| TYPE | $\begin{gathered} \text { IF- } \\ \text { CLAUSE } \end{gathered}$ | MAIN CLAUSE | USE | EXAMPLES |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0 | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { PRESENT } \\ & \text { SIMPLE } \end{aligned}$ | - PRESENT SIMPLE | Pure fact | Water turns into ice if it gets cold. |
| $\begin{gathered} 1 \\ \text { PROBABLE } \\ \text { CONDITION } \end{gathered}$ | if + PRESENT SIMPLE | - FUTURE SIMPLE <br> - IMPERATIVE <br> - MODAL VERB + INFINITIVE | real present <br> real or very probable <br> situation in the present or future. | If he comes late, we'll miss the train. <br> If you don't have enough money, don't buy it. |
| $\begin{gathered} 2 \\ \text { IMPROBABLE } \\ \text { CONDITION } \end{gathered}$ | if + PAST <br> SIMPLE | - WOULD + BARE INFINITIVE <br> - COULD + BARE INFINITIVE <br> - MIGHT + BARE INFINITIVE - SHOULD + BARE INFINITIVE | unreal present improbable situation in the present or future also used to give advice | If I had money, I would buy a new car (but I don't have enough money) If I were you, I would see a doctor. <br> Would you run away if you saw a ghost? |


| $\begin{aligned} & 3 \quad \text { IMPOSSIBLE } \\ & \text { CONDITION } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { if } \underset{\text { PERFECT }}{+} \text { PAST } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | - WOULD HAVE + <br> P. PARTICIPLE <br> - COULD HAVE + <br> P. PARTICIPLE <br> - MIGHT HAVE + <br> P. PARTICIPLE <br> SHOULD HAVE <br> +P PARTICIPLE | unreal past  <br> unreal or <br> improbable  <br> situation in the  <br> past also used to  <br> express regret  <br> end criticism  | If you hadn't been rude, your boss wouldn't have fired you (but you were rude and he fired you). <br> She would have passed the exam if she had studied. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |

## Exercise (42): Rewrite these sentences without changing the meaning of the original one

1. I think it will rain tomorrow. We'll have to stay indoors. If.
2. David must practise more to be a really good pianist. If.
3. If anyone complains, refer them to the manager. Should
4. you have to have a visa to enter China. Unless
5. I need a grant in order to study at university. I won't
6. I cannot afford to buy a PSP. If $\qquad$
7. I couldn't finish the crossword because it was too difficult. I.
8. He may go to prison. He refuses to pay the fine.

Unless $\qquad$

## Mixed Conditionals

Unreal conditionals (type II + III) sometimes can be mixed, that is, the time of the if clause is different from the one of the main clause.

Past --> Present
If I had taken an aspirin, I wouldn't have a headache now.
Past --> Future
If I had known that you are going to come by tomorrow, I would be in then.

Present --> Past
If she had enough money, she could have done this trip to Hawaii.

## Present --> Future

If I were you, I would be spending my vacation in Seattle.
Future --> Past
If I weren't flying to Detroit, I would have planned a trip toVancouver.
Future --> Present
If I were taking this exam next week, I would be high-strung.
Exercise (43): Use mixed tenses in these sentences

1. If 1 ................................ (be) you, I (check) my facts before I
wrote that letter.
2. If you $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots . . . . .$. (be) so hungry, you
.................................. (not miss) breakfast.
3. If he .................................. (not/catch) the 5.30 train, he
$\ldots . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .$. (not arrive) for another two hours.
4. He .................................... (feel) very tired today if he (play) rugby yesterday.
5. If the snake bite

                                 (be) poisonous,
    you .......................................... (feel) very ill now.
6. If I ............................................. (be) in your position, I
(answer) his letter by now.
7. We put a comma after the IF-CLAUSE when it comes first.

If we go by plane, it will be more expensive.
It will be more expensive if we go by plane.
2. After IF, we can use WERE instead of WAS in all persons

If I were you, I wouldn't spend so much time watching TV.
3. We do not usually use WILL, WOULD or SHOULD in an IF-CLAUSE

If we take a taxi, we won't be late.
However, we use SHOULD after IF when we are less sure about a possibility

If I should see him, l'll give it to him. (Perhaps l'll see him but l'm less sure)

## 4. OTHER LINKING WORDS

UNLESS. IF NOT: We'll go for a picnic unless it rains.
PROVIDED (THAT): ‘SIEMPRE Y CUANDO'
Children are allowed to go for a ride on the roller
coaster provided that they go with an adult. AS LONG AS: As long as he's on time, we won't be late for the meeting.

## Exercise (44): Rewrite these sentences using UNLESS.

We won't buy any fish today if it isn't cheaper than yesterday.
We won't buy any fish today unless it is cheaper than yesterday.

- If you don't go to the party, they'll be disappointed.
- I can't help her if she doesn't want to talk to me.
- If it doesn't stop raining, we'll stay at home.
- If he doesn't go to the post office, he won't buy the stamps.
- George won't come out of hospital if he doesn't feel better.

Exercise (45): Complete with the Second Conditional.

- If he $\qquad$ (exercise), he would be healthier.
- If 1 $\qquad$ (be) you, I would call the police.
- 1 $\qquad$ (buy) a new jacket if I had some money.
- 1 $\qquad$ (help) him if I were you.
- I would travel round the world if I $\qquad$ (win) the lottery.
- If she had time, she $\qquad$ (go) to the gym.
- IfI $\qquad$ (meet) an alien, I wouldn't be scared.
- If I ___(go) to New York, I would visit the Empire State building.


## XII. Subjunctive

> I suggest that he sudy. is it essential that web e there? Don recommended that you join the commitee.

Use the simple form of the verb. The simple for mis the infinitive without the "to". The simple form of the verb "to go". The subjunctive is only noticeable in certain forms and tenses.
The subjunctive is used to emphasize urgency or importance. It is used after certain expressions
N.B. the subjunctive is only noticeable in certain forms and tenses. In the examples below, the subjunctive is not noticeable in the you-form of the verb.

- You try to study often. YOU-FORM OF TRY
- It is important that you try to study often. SUBJUNCTIVE FORM OF "TRY" LOOKS THE SAME.
- He tries to study often. HE-FORM OF "TRY"
- It is important that he try to study often. SUBJUNCTIVE FORM OF "TRY"IS NOTICEABLE HERE.

1. Verbs followed by the subjunctive

The subjunctive is used after the following verbs

| To advise (that) |
| :--- |
| To ask (that) |
| To command (that) |
| To demand (that) |


| To desire (that) |
| :--- |
| To insist (that) |
| To propose (that) |
| To recommand (that) |


| To request (that) |
| :--- |
| To suggest (that) |
| To urge (that) |

e.g. Dr. Smith asked that Mark submit his research paper before the end of the mouth.

Donna requested Frank come to the party.
The teacher insists that her students be on time.
2. Expressions followed by the subjunctive

The subjunctive is used after the following expressions.

| It is best (that) | It is recommanded (that) |
| :--- | :--- |
| It is crucial (that) | It is urgent (that) |
| It is desirable (that) | It is vital (that) |
| It is essential (that) | It is a good idea (that) |
| It is imperative (that) | It is a bad idea (that) |

e.g. it is crucial that you be there before tom arrives.

It is important she attend the meeting. It is recommanded that he take a gallon of water with him if he wants to hike to the bottom of the Grand Canyon.
3. Negative, Continous and Passive Forms of Subjunctive The subjunctive can be used in negative, continous and passive forms

- Negative examples :

The boss insisted that Sam not be at the meeting.
The company asked that employees not accept personal phone calls during business hours
I suggest that you not take the job without renegotiating the salary.

- Passive examples :

| Jake recommended that susan be hired immediately. |
| :---: |
| Christine demanded that I be allowed to take part in <br> the negotiations. |
| We suggested that you be admitted to the negotiations. |

- Continous examples :

It is important that you be standing there when he gets off the plane.
It is crucial that a car be waiting for the boss when the meeting is over.
I propose that we all be waiting in Tim's apartment when he gets home.

- Should as subjunctive

After many of the above expressions, the word "should" is sometimes used to express the idea of subjunctiveness. This form is used more frequently in British English and is common after the verbs " suggest ", "recommand " and "insist "

| e.g. the doctor recommended that she should see a specialist |
| :---: |
| about the problem. |

Exercise (46): Choose the most appropriate answer.

1. I demand that he $\qquad$ immediately.
a. Apologize
c. will apologize
b. shall apologize
d. has apologized
2. I suggested that she her lawyer before signing the contract.
a. Consults
c. will consult
b. shall consult
d. should consult
3. It is necessary that everything $\qquad$ ready by two o'clock tomorrow.
a. Be
c. were
b. Was
d. would have been
4. They recommend that she $\qquad$ to a ski resort in Spain.
a. will go
b. would have gone
c. should go
d. should have gone
5. It is advisable that you
. your application as soon as possible.
a. Submit
c. will have submitted
b. will submit
d. should have submitted
6. He decided to go inside the haunted house, $\qquad$ what may.
a. Come
c. should come
b. Comes
d. would come
7. It is strange that he $\qquad$ .so upset about such a trifle, isn't it?
a. Were
c. should be
b. shall be
d. have been
8. Far .......... it from me to criticize your plan, but I think you should change a few things in it.
a. Be
c. Was
b. Is
d. were

## XIII Imperative

$\Rightarrow$ Imperatives are verbs used to give orders, commands, warning or instructions, and (if you use "please") to make a request. It is one of the three moods of an English verb (indicative, imperative and subjunctive).

For example: Give me that tape, please.
$\Rightarrow$ To make the imperative, use the infinitive of the verb without "to"
For example: Come here!
Sit down!
$\Rightarrow$ We can use the imperative to give a direct order.
For example: Take that chewing gum out of your mouth.
Stand up straight. Give me the
details.
$\Rightarrow$ We can use the imperative to give instructions.
For example: Open your book.
Take two tablets every evening. Take a left and then a right.
$\Rightarrow$ We can use the imperative to make an invitation.
For example: Come in and sit down.
Make yourself at home. Please start without me. I'll be there shortly.
Have a piece of this cake. It's delicious.
$\Rightarrow$ We can use the imperative on signs and notices.
For example: Push.
Do not use. Insert one dollar.
$\Rightarrow$ We can use the imperative to give friendly informal advice.
For example: Speak to him.
Tell him how you feel.
Have a quiet word with her about it.
Stay at home and rest up.
Get some sleep and recover.
$\Rightarrow$ We can make the imperative 'more polite' by adding 'do'.
For example:Do be quiet.
Do come. Do sit down.
XIV. Negatives

I do not smoke. He did not come. They are not expected to come. They have not been invited.
She has not come. I cannot go.
I opened the door, but I saw nothing. OR I opened the
door, but I didn't see anything. (NOT I opened the door, but I saw anything.)
Nothing happened. (NOT Not anything happened.)
Nobody came. (NOT Not anybody came.)
Negation can be expressed as follow:
No vs. not
No:
Use the word no to answer a question

- A: Did you call John?
- B: No, I didn't call him.
- Use no (or not any) with nouns or pronouns. Do not use not alone.
- There is no food in the refrigerator. Or there is not any food in the refrigerator.
- I have no classes this morning. Or I do not have any classes this morning.
- No one came to my party.

Not:
Use it to make a verb negative. Do not use no.

- My father no is here. (is not)
- He no has a job. (does not have)
- Use not with adjectives and adverbs. Do not use no.
- He's notold enough to go to school. Or he isn'told enough to go to school.
- You're not always right. Or You aren't always right


## Double negatives

English allows only one negative word in a sentence. Therefore, you can't use a negative word like never or no one in the same sentence with not.

- She doesn't never admit that she is wrong. Or she doesn't never admits that she is wrong.
- The words like seldom, rarely, hardly, scarcely, and barely are negative words. Don't use them in the same sentence with another negative such as not or no one.
- He doen't seldom sees his old friends.
- The children were so tired that they couldn't hardly keep their eyes open.


## Beginning with negative words

We can begin a sentence with a negative word or word to emphasise it. Put the verb before the subject, and use do, does, and did if necessary. In the following sentences, notice how putting never first gives it special emphasis.

- She has never seemed so upset.
- Never has she seemed so upset.
- New parents seldom get eight hours to sleep.
- Seldom do new parents get eight hours
- to sleep.

Exercise (47): Edit the following sentences for errors in the use of negative words. One sentence is correct.

- When I first moved here, I had not friends.
- My new sister-in-law no is a good cook.
- ---------------------------------------------------------------
- In fact, she cannot hardly pour milk and cereal in a bowl and serve it.
- Since she and my brother returned from their honeymoon, she can't she hasn't cooked nothing.
- She says she has not time to learn.
- My brother doesn't mind because he likes to cook.
- -----------------------------------------------------------------------

Exercise (48): Rewrite each sentence to avoid double negatives.

- There wasn't no one else around when the spaceship landed.
- $\quad 1$ discovered that $I$ understood the alien even though it wasn't making no sound.

I hadn't never seen a creature so strange before.

- I don't think I can hardly describe the inside of the spaceship.
- The glowing metal control panel wasn't like nothing l'd ever seen on Earth.
XV. Questions


| Positive statement | Negative tag | Negative statement | Positive tag |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| It's a nice day You work downtown We finished the lesson Your children can swim She has met his parents You are going to work <br> He will graduate | Isn't it ? <br> Don't you? <br> Didn't you ? <br> Can't you? <br> Hasn't you? <br> Aren't you? <br> Won't you ? | It isn't too windy? <br> He doesn't like his job. <br> We didn't miss anything. <br> Your children can't swim They haven't met before. <br> You aren't going to quit. <br> He won't go to law school. | Is it ? <br> Does it ? <br> Did we? <br> Can they? <br> Have they? <br> Are you? <br> Will he? |

Exercise (51): Put the following question tags in to the correct gaps.

- She didn't watch the film last - You're married,
night, $\qquad$
- It's great to see each other again, $\qquad$ -
- You went to Tom's last weekend, $\qquad$
- He hasn't lived here long,
- He comes every Friday,


## Exercise (52) : Choose the correct question tags:

1. You wanted that, ?
a. would you
c. wouldn't you
b. didn't you
d. do you
2. He saw that $\qquad$ ?
a. is he
c. didn't he
b. won't he
d. doesn't he
3. You know that's right $\qquad$ ?
a. would you
c. didn't you
b. wouldn't you
d. don't you
4. He wil be coming ?
a. is he
c. doesn't he
b. did he
d. won't he
5. After all this time you'd think he'd have forgotten $\qquad$ ?
a. didn't you
c. don't you
b. wouldn't you
d. do you
6. 6. The amount he is suffering from hay fever he needs to see a doctor $\qquad$ ?
a. doesn't he
d. is he
b. did he
c. won't he

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Key answers

| I. NOUN |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Exercise 01 : |  |  |  |
| 1. Turns |  |  |  |
| 2. | Advice |  | 5. A rest |
| 3. | Homework |  | 6. Grass |
|  | Luggage |  |  |
|  | Exercise 02 : |  |  |
| 1. | Chairs |  | 6. rocks |
| 2. | Stars |  | 7. owners |
| 3. | farms |  | 8. papers |
| 4. | storms |  | 9. cups |
| 5. | doors |  | 0. bears |
| Exercise 03 : |  |  |  |
| 1. | Dresses |  | 5. bushes |
| 2. | brushes |  | 6. axes |
| 3. | hexes |  | 7. grasses |
|  | benches |  | 8. glasses |
|  | wishes |  |  |
|  | classes |  |  |
|  | foxes |  |  |
|  | crosses |  |  |
|  | Exercise 04: |  |  |
|  | Theories /Days /Essays /Cherries/ Beauties/ Chimneys /Joys /Duties/ Valleys/Alleys/ Volleys/Flies/ Babies/ Toys/ Injuries/ Stories/ Turkeys/ Histories/ Plays/ Berries/ Studies Exercise 05: |  |  |
|  | Gulfs |  | 5. turfs |
|  | sheaves |  | 6. proofs |
|  | selves |  | 7. wolves |
|  | halves |  |  |
|  | Exercise 06: |  |  |
| 1. | The children's cheering |  | 6. The choirs 'singing <br> 7. The women's |
|  | The men's laughter |  | handbags |
|  | The oxen's horn |  | 8. The mice's cheese |
|  | The girls' jump rope |  |  |
|  | The dogs' howling |  |  |


|  | II. | Determiners |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | Exercise 07: |  |
| 1. An owl 7. The moon <br> 2. A rocket 8. The Missouri River <br> 3. An apron  <br>  9. The mango <br> 4. The sun 10. An animal <br> 5. A page 11. An eagle <br> 6. A computer 12. A baby <br> Exercise 08:  |  |  |

1. Come and look at these insects.
2. Stop that man!
3. I was in fifth grade last year. I am in sixth grade this year.
4. Bring those chairs here.
5. This ice cream is delicious.
6. Can you see those stars in the sky?

## Exercise 09:

1. WHAT kind of animal is that?
2. WHICH runner is the winner?
3. WHAT is the matter?
4. WHOSE desk is this?
5. WHICH handphone is ringing?
6. WHAT is your name?
7. WHICH twin is taller?
8. WHOSE hand is holding the pebble?

Exercise 10:

1. Is this Jane's dog? Yes, this is her dog.
2. The dog is chasing its own tail.
3. Peter, is your father at home?
4. Rudy is showing his stamps to Ali.
5. I am going to my aunt's house this evening.
6. We always keep our classroom clean.
7. Children, have you all finished your homework?
8. The children are proud of their school

## III. Adjectives

## Exercise 11:

1. Today is cloudy, hot, and humid.
2. The man wearing a blue suit is young.
3. The runner is very fast.
4. He is a good basketball player.
5. Alamance Community College is a great place to learn.
6. The blue bus is late.
7. The rusty truck has an oversized trailer.
8. Jane is so smart!

## Exercise 12:

| windy | childish | forgetfu |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| foolish | rotten | l |
| golden | peaceful | dusty |
| charmin | stormy | spottabl |
| g | muddy | e |
| friendly | national | playful |

## Exercise 13:

1. The light shines as bright as the sun.
2. The runner moves as fast as the wind.
3. The apple is as red as a fire truck.
4. The giraffe is as tall as the tree.
5. That clock is as old as my grandfather.

## Exercise 14:

1. Chile is longer than Peru
2. The winter is worse than the fall
3. A cheetah is faster than a lion $\qquad$
4. Brazil is bigger than Argentina $\qquad$

## Exercise 15:

1.Yuki was at school earlier than I was.
2. Rice is stickier than salad.
3. This exercise is trickier than the last one.
4. My little brother is sillier than I am.

## Exercise 16:

1. Her motorcycle is more dangerous than my car.
2. Gold is more expensive than silver.
3. Butterflies are more beautiful than snakes.
4. The grey jacket is more colorful than the pink one.
5. I am more tired now than I was this morning.

Exercise 17:

1. c)
the funniest
2. d) most popular
3. c) more expensive than
4. b) the most intelligent
5. d) better than
6. a) the hottest
7. c) worst
8. a) the highest
9. b) the coldest
10.b) more painful than
10. d) most polluted
11. b) farthest
12. d) faster than
13. d) the tallest
14. c) easier than

## Exercise 18:

1. b
2. a
3. a
4. b
5. b
6. a
7. a
8. b
9. c
10. b
11. b
12. b
13. a
14. d

Exercise 19:
10. a)
11. a)
12. c)
13. c)
14. a)

Exercise 20:
1 always 2 usually $\quad 3$ often $\quad 4$ sometimes 5 occasionally
Exercise 21:

1. slowly
2. coolly
3. tidily
4. beautifully
5. comfortably
6. strongly
7. wisely
8. c).
9. c)
10. b)
11. b)

Exercise 22:

1. earlier 6. further
2. more slowly
3. better
4. lately
5. more badly
6. harder
7. More thoroughly
8. faster
V. Pronouns

## Exercise 23:

1. It. (third/singular/objective)
2. It (third /singular/objective).. her (third /singular/objective)
3. Whom (third /unknown/objective)
4. They (third /plural/subjective)

## Exercise 24:

1. Ourselves
2. Herself
3. Themselves
4. Myself
5. Yourself
6. Yourselves
7. Himself
8. Itself

## VI. CONJUNCTIONS

## Exercise 25:

1. The boys and the girls sang in the hall.
2. I was sick, so I did not attend the football practice.
3. Please do not take part in the competition until you are wellprepared for it.
4. I was afraid of the dark, so I did not go into the kitchen.
5. Larry and Mary do not like coffee.
6. We stood and waited for the bus until our legs ache.
7. I was angry with my father because he was late.
8. Although she is late, she is not worried about it.

## Exercise 26:

1. Judy will go to the dance either with Don or with Bob.
2. The boys want neither to study tonight nor to work tonight.
3. I bought both a new pen and a new pencil yesterday.
4. Mrs. Jones didn't see the movie, and neither did Mrs. Smith.
5. Both Tom and Steve went to the party late.
6. Both The cats and the dog don't like the food.
VII. prepositions

## Exercise 27:

1. In
2. To
3. At
4. On
5. Over
6. in
7. across
8. into
9. on

Exercise 28:

1. There was a loud noise which woke us up at midnight.
2. Do you usually eat chocolate eggs at Easter?
3. What are you doing in the weekend?
4. / last week, I worked until 9pm / every night.
5. My father always reads the paper in breakfast time.
6. She plays tennis on Fridays.
7. The trees here are really beautiful inthe spring.
8. I'll see you on Tuesday afternoon, then.
9. Shakespeare died in 1616.
10. She studies / every day.

## VIII. verbs \& tenses

## Exercise 29:

1. She was racing in a wheelchair race.
2. Sarah had joined the Wheelchair Athlete Club.
3. The racers were using special racing wheelchairs.
4. They are training several times a week.
5. They have lifted weights too.
6. Sarah has raced for several years.
7. She will race many more times.
8. She is practicing for next year's Olympics.
9. The Junior Olympics are held every summer.
10. The games were started in 1967.

## Exercise 30:

1. Have you ever seen a Kabuki play?
2. His car is going too fast for safety.
3. I am waiting for Helen.
4. Have you met my mother?
5. It may be later than you think.
6. Edena is becoming an excellent soccer player.
7. If he will read better, he can learn more.
8. There have been serious consequences.
9. Mr. Prinz has not been persuaded to change.
10. Have you read "For My People" by Margaret Walker?

## Exercise 31:

(1)Grew (2)has moved (3)visited (4)flied (5)have never met (6)had (7) were playing, talking and eating together (8) cooked (9) have been (10) was savin (11) had (12) died (13) is (14) has already gone (15) were quietly sitting (16) missed (17) paused (18) were looking (19) arrived (20) were discussing (21) has been used (22) did (23) said (24) was not (25) thought (26) had become

Exercise 32:
(1) Are (2) am (3) is (4) have (5) is broken (6)am trying (7)do not know (8)cannot fix it (9) am trying (10) happens (11) makes (12) dies (13) are you standing (14) am inspecting (15) am checking (16)looks (17)have you..? (18) use (19) appears (20) wonder (21) do not understand (22) does not think (23) says (24)is (25) have checked (26)have not checked (27) am checking (28) does it look like.. (29) looks (30) is (31) happens Exercise 33:
(1) will take "What (2) shall I (3) do. "You (4) are competing (5) will involve (6) will have been numbered. (7) will be talking (8) will receive (9) would probably praise (10 will do (11)will have tallied (12) will surely participateally, too. There is no age limit for the dogs, either, and it has been decided that all future rallies (13) will include (14) will enter (15) will be (16) will have decided by July 4th (17) will train (18) will win
IX. Active/Passive voice

## Exercise 34:

1. Is spoken
2. Is delivered
3. Is the building
used....
4. Are the Olympic

Games held....
5. How is your name spelled?
6. Is paid
7. Are made

Exercise 35:

1. Produced
2. Was called
3. Were exported
4. Started
5. Exported
6. Were tested

Exercise 36:

1. This house was built 200 years ago.
2. My purse was stolen.
3. The robbers will be arrested by the police.
4. Cars are produced in this factory.
5. Breakfast is served at eight o'clock every day. .
6. Are sold day.
7. Tones of rubbish are thrown away every day.
8. Coffee is made in Brazil.
9. Jim's bike was stolen last night.

## Exercise 37:

1. Was the telephone invented by Mr Bell?
2. Was this picture painted by Peter?
3. Will the thieves be arrested by the police?
4. Will the letters be sent next week?
5. Are the animals fed three times a day?
6. Was this article written by Stanley?

## Exercise 38:

1. Oysters are sold in the shop next door.
2. The food hasn't been delivered yet.
3. King Lear was written by Shakespeare.
4. The questions have to be answered on this sheet.
5. Has the cases been put upstairs?
X. Reported speech

## Exercise 39:

1. Paul says that Atlanta is a wonderful city.
2. Ruth says that he goes jogging every morning.
3. Anna says that Jenny isn't studying for my exams.
4. Andrew says that he used to be very fat.
5. Jim says that he can't swim.
6. My father asked why I hadn't telephoned.

## Exercise 40:

1. Carol asked Bob to Make some coffee.
2. She told Jane to do the homework soon
3. He reminded Ann to buy a map
4. He advised Mrs. Clark to see a doctor.
5. They warned Bill to Keep all the windows closed
6. Francis told Paul to go home.
7. He tried to persuade Bob to stay for supper

## Exercise 41:

1. She suggested to go to the cinema tonight
2. He admitted that he had stolen the wallet.
3. She warned us to be careful! The water was boiling.
4. My father insisted on apologising to my teacher.
5. My friend agreed to share the expenses with me.

## XI. Conditional

## Exercise 42:

1. If it rains tomorrow, we'll have to stay indoors.
2. If David practises more, he will be a really good pianist.
3. If anyone complains, you should refer them to the manager.
4. Unless you have a visa, you cannot enter China.
5. If I do not have a grant, I won't study at university.
6. I cannot afford to buy a PSP, if I do not have money.
7. I couldn't finish the crossword if it was too difficult.
8. He may go to prison unless he pays the fine.

## Exercise 43:

1. If I were you, I would check my facts before I wrote that letter.
2. If you are so hungry, you must not miss breakfast.
3. If he had not caught the 5.30 train, he would not arrive for another two hours.
4. He feels very tired today if he had played rugby yesterday.
5. If the snake bite was poisonous, you feel very ill now.
6. If I were in your position, I answer his letter by now.

## Exercise 44:

1. Unless you go to the party, they'll be disappointed.
2. I can't help her unless she wants to talk to me.
3. Unless it stops raining, we'll stay at home.
4. Unless he goes to the post office, he won't buy the stamps.
5. George won't come out of hospital unless he feels better. Exercise 45:
1) If he exercised, he would be healthier.
2) If I were you, I would call the police.
3) I would buy a new jacket if I had some money.
4) I would help him if I were you.
5) I would travel round the world if I won the lottery.
6) If she had time, she would go to the gym.
7) If I met an alien, I wouldn't be scared.
8) If I went to New York, I would visit the Empire State building.

## XII. Subjunctive

## Exercise 46:

1. I demand that he (a)apologize immediately.
2. I suggested that she (d) should consult her lawyer before signing the contract.
3. It is necessary that everything (a) be ready by two o'clock tomorrow.
4. They recommend that she (c) should go to a ski resort in Spain.
5. It is advisable that you (a) submit your application as soon as possible.
6. He decided to go inside the haunted house, (a) come what may.
7. It is strange that he (c) should be so upset about such a trifle, isn't it?
8. Far (a) be it from me to criticize your plan, but I think you should change a few things in it.

## XIV. Negatives

## Exercise 47:

1. When I first moved here, I had no friends.
2. My new sister-in-law is not a good cook.
3. In fact, she can hardly pour milk and cereal in a bowl and serve it.
4. Since she and my brother returned from their honeymoon, she has cooked nothing.
5. She says she has no time to learn.
6. My brother doesn't mind because he likes to cook. (correct)

Exercise 48:

1. There wasn't anyone else around when the space ship landed.
2. I discovered that I understood the alien even though it wasn't making any sound.
3. I had never seen a creature so strange before.
4. I think I can hardly describe the inside of the space ship.
5. The glowing metal control panel wasn't like anything l'd ever seen on Earth.

## XV. Questions

Exercise 49:

1. Are you late ? 6. Are The children
2. Is the London train?
3. Are your photos ready ?
4. Is John working in the garden?
5. Does Jane give piano lessons?
Exercise 50:
6. Who can play chess ?

Me
2. Who wants to have a day off? all of us

## Exercise 51:

1. She didn't watch the film last night, did she?
2. It's great to see each other again, isn't it?
3. He comes every Friday, doesn't he?
4. You're married, aren't you?
5. You went to Tom's last weekend, didn't you?
6. He hasn't lived here long, has he?

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3. You know that's right $\qquad$ ? d. don't you
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