

Unit 4

Exercise 1

Complete the following conditional sentences using the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

1. If it _____ (rain) tomorrow, we _____ (stay) at home.
2. If I _____ (have) more free time, I _____ (learn) Italian.
3. If you _____ (not study), you _____ (not pass) the exam.
4. If she _____ (be) taller, she _____ (play) basketball professionally.
5. If we _____ (finish) work early, we _____ (go) to the cinema.
6. If I _____ (know) his phone number, I _____ (call) him.
7. If they _____ (miss) the bus, they _____ (take) a taxi.
8. If my brother _____ (live) closer, I _____ (visit) him every weekend.

Exercise 2

Rewrite the following sentences, using the second conditional, so that they express a hypothetical situation. There is an example at the beginning.

0. Anne always feels sleepy because she sits up late.

-- ***If Anne didn't sit up late, she wouldn't always feel sleepy.***

1. We don't buy a new car because we have no money.

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2. He doesn't watch horror films because he gets scared easily.

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3. Kate is always late for school because she hates waking up early.

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4. I can't read the original version of "Faust" because I don't know German.

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5. Christine is usually tired because she works too much.

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6. He can't drive, so we can't hire a car.

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7. You talk too fast that is why you make so many mistakes.

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Exercise 3

Read the following text and choose the correct answer A), B), C) or D).

IF I COULD LIVE MY LIFE ALL OVER...

If I had the chance to live my life all over again, I would choose to do things very differently. Instead of trying to be perfect all the time, I would allow myself to make more mistakes. I used to spend so much time worrying about everything being right. If I could start over, I would definitely learn to relax and just enjoy the moment.

In the past, I took life far too seriously. I rarely took risks and always chose the safest option. If I had another opportunity, I would go on more trips, climb mountains, and swim in rivers. I would also worry less about tomorrow and focus on today. I faced more real problems that way, but at least I didn't spend so much time worrying about imaginary ones.

I have always been a very organized person. I never went anywhere without preparing for every possible problem, carrying umbrellas, extra clothes, and medicine just in case. Looking back, I realize that carrying so much baggage—both literally and mentally—stopped me from being free. Next time, I would travel much lighter and walk barefoot on the grass more often. Life is made of small moments, but I spent too many years planning for the distant future instead of enjoying the present. I want to remind people that it is okay to be a bit silly sometimes. If I could go back, I would spend less time working and more time dancing, going to funfairs, and simply picking flowers in the countryside.

Questions

1. **What is the writer's main purpose in the first paragraph?**
 - A. to explain why people should avoid making mistakes.
 - B. to express a wish to live a less stressful life.
 - C. to describe a perfect holiday they once had.
 - D. to advise readers on how to become successful.
2. **What does the writer say about taking risks in the second paragraph?**
 - A. It is better to avoid real problems if possible.
 - B. Safe choices always lead to happiness.
 - C. Taking risks is worth it despite the difficulties.
 - D. Travelling is only fun when it is planned.
3. **Why did the writer use to pack so many items when travelling?**
 - A. Because the writer wanted to be ready for any situation.
 - B. Because the writer often got sick during trips.
 - C. Because the writer enjoyed carrying heavy luggage.
 - D. Because the writer liked helping other travellers.
4. **What regret does the writer have about personal attitude towards time?**
 - A. The writer did not spend enough time planning the future.
 - B. The writer focused too much on the future instead of the present.
 - C. The writer forgot important events from the past.
 - D. The writer wasted time working at weekends.
5. **Which of the following is a suitable summary of the text?**
 - A. A busy professional explains how planning ahead helped to achieve all their dreams.
 - B. An adventurous traveller shares tips on how to pack light and save money on trips.
 - C. An older person reflects on life and suggests that people should worry less and

enjoy more.

D. A doctor gives advice on how to stay healthy by relaxing and exercising outdoors.