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Unit 2

Exercise 1 - Inversions in conditional sentences. Match the numbers and letters to create sentences and rewrite them using inversion. Find an example in question 11.

if we offered you the position in New York,	1		A	he wouldn't be in summer school.
Jessica would be there now	2		B	please ask for my assistant.
there's a good film on TV tonight	3		C	he might face disciplinary action.
Tom's probably in the staff room	4		D	if she had lived longer.
if you bump into Mike at the conference,	5		E	if you're interested.
if Robert arrives late again,	6		F	give him my regards.
if my son hadn't failed that exam,	7		G	if it wasn't for her help.
my sister could hire a car	8		H	if she hadn't missed his bus.
if we're not there when you arrive,	9		I	when would you be able to move?
I'd never have managed	10		J	if she had passed her driving test.
my daughter might have become a great musician	11	11-D	K	if he's not in his office.

11-D: Had my daughter lived longer, she might have become a great musician.

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Exercise 2 - Read the following text and answer the questions below.

Japanese Forced to Leave Homes

In addition to the one-half-million people made homeless by last week's magnitude-9.0 quake and huge tsunami, there are 200,000 more Japanese who have been ordered from their homes.

The Koriyama High School gymnasium is now home, **indefinitely**, to more than 350 **evacuees** from Okuma, the town where the Fukushima-1 nuclear facility is located. These people were living near a **crippled** nuclear power plant, severely damaged by the natural disaster that has been leaking radiation. Harumi Takahashi is here with several children and grandchildren. When asked about the white smoke and invisible radiation **billowing** from the damaged nuclear plant near her home in Okuma, she replies that it is difficult to **render an opinion** because she is not receiving any information. And she complains that without a television, they are not able to view the **graphic** images of the crippled reactors that are being broadcast to the rest of the country.

Another evacuee, Keishu Maeda, used to work at the Fukushima nuclear plant. He says the events of the past few days have changed his opinion. "I think I was a good supporter for the [Japanese] atomic energy policy, but not anymore." says Maeda.

Others in the shelter, **on the verge of** tears, say they were always opposed to the construction of nuclear reactors in their town. One thing everyone here does appear to agree on is, that with the nuclear crisis still unfolding, they will have plenty of time to **ponder** their **plight**, sitting and sleeping on the hardwood floor of a basketball court.

Task 1

1) How many people have been made homeless?

2) Why have the people in the town of Okuma left their homes?

3) What problem(s) is Harumi Takahashi facing?

4) What has Keishu Maeda changed his mind about? What is his opinion now?

5) How long do the people plan to stay in the gymnasium?

Task 2: Match these words with their meaning.

1. Indefinite	_____	A. vivid
2. Crippled	_____	B. hardship, difficulty
3. Evacuation	_____	C. disabled
4. (to)billow	_____	D. indeterminate
5. (to)render	_____	E. (to)contemplate
6. Graphic	_____	F. (to)puff out
7. on the verge (of)	_____	G. abandonment
8. (to)ponder	_____	H. about to
9. Plight	_____	I. (to)give

Task 3: Use a word or phrase from the box to replace a word or expression with a similar meaning in the sentences below. **Question 1 is an example:**

indefinite	crippled	evacuation	billow	render	<u>graphic</u>	on the verge (of)	ponder	plight
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- 1) The film contained detailed scenes of violence.
The film contained graphic scenes of violence.
- 2) The fire chief ordered the abandonment of the entire building.
- 3) Emergency response specialists gave assistance to the victims of the disaster.
- 4) The woman was severely handicapped by the disease.
- 5) Great clouds of smoke puffed out of the factory's chimneys.
- 6) I'm about to have a nervous breakdown.
- 7) The film about the difficulties of refugees in Libya saddened Lisa.
- 8) He will continue living abroad for an unknown amount of time.
- 9) The prisoner had years to think about his mistake while in jail.

Exercise 3- For questions 1-7; rewrite these conditional clauses using inverted forms.

1. Henry would be there today if he hadn't missed the flight.

Henry would be there today _____.

2. Our company could expand our operations if the climate wasn't so bad.

Our company could expand our operations _____.

3. If I'm not there when you get home, please ask the gatekeeper.

_____, please ask the gatekeeper.

4. If Eve hadn't failed that exam, she would have a job now.

_____, she would have a job now.

5. If our business was going better, we would be able to hire more staff. But, as you know, that is not the case.

_____, we would be able to hire more staff. But, as you know, that is not the case.

6. They can meet inside the shop if it happens to be raining.

They can meet inside the shop _____.

7. We could have had serious problems if it hadn't been for the diplomatic way Jason dealt with the press.

We could have had serious problems _____ Jason dealt with the press.