



High Note 12

Advanced Conditional Clauses Part II

Unit Four

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Advanced Conditional Clauses

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Variations with Conditional Clauses

(1) With type ONE (should)

Rule → If + Sub+ **should** + **base verb**.....,

Functions → (Politeness, Formality, Uncertainty)

1. **If you need help, call me.**

If you **should** need help, call me. (**Politeness + Formal**)

2. **If it rains, we'll stay inside.**

If it **should** rain, we'll stay inside. (**Formal**)

3. **If you see Anna, tell her I called.**

If you **should** see Anna, tell her I called. (**Possible, Uncertain + formal**)

Variations with Conditional Clauses

(2) With type TWO (were to)

Rule → If + Sub+ were to + base verb,

Functions → (Unreal / Hypothetical → Present)

Functions → (Formal / More tentative / Less probable → Present)

1. If I **lost** my job, I **would start** my own business.

If I **were to lose** my job, I **would start** my own business. (**Unreal / Hypothetical**)

2. If the government **reduced** taxes, spending **might increase**.

If the government **were to reduce** taxes, spending **might increase**. (**Formal / More tentative / Less probable**)

3. If the weather **changed** suddenly, the trip **might be cancelled**.

If the weather **were to change** suddenly, the trip **might be cancelled**. (**Formal**)

Inversion with Conditional Clauses

(1) With type ONE (should)

Rule → should + Sub+ base verb.....,

Functions → (Formal / Literary / Dramatic Contexts)

1. If you need help, call me.

If you **should** need help, call me. (**Politeness**)

Should you need help, call me. (**Formal, Literary, Dramatic Context**)

2. If you see Anna, tell her I called.

If you **should** see Anna, tell her I called. (**Possible, Uncertain**)

Should you see Anna, tell her I called. (**Formal, Literary, Dramatic Context**)

Inversion with Conditional Clauses

(2) With type TWO (were to)

Rule → **Were + Sub + to + base verb,**

Functions → (Formal / literary / dramatic context)

Functions → (hypothetical / unlikely / unreal) → **Present**)

1. **If I lost my job, I would start my own business.**

If I were to lose my job, I would start my own business. (unreal / hypothetical)

Were I to lose my job, I would start my own business. (formal / literary / dramatic context)

2. **If the government reduced taxes, spending might increase.**

If the government were to reduce taxes, spending might increase. (Formal / more tentative / less probable)

3. **If the weather changed suddenly, the trip might be cancelled.**

If the weather were to change suddenly, the trip might be cancelled.. (Formal)

Inversion with Conditional Clauses

(3) With type THREE (had)

Rule → Had + Sub+ V3 (PP),

Functions → (Formal / literary / dramatic context)

Functions → (unreal) → Past / regret

1. If I had studied harder, I would feel more confident today.

Had I studied harder, I would feel more confident today. (unreal/
past/ regret)

2. If I had known about the problem, I would have fixed it earlier.

Had I known about the problem, I would have fixed it earlier.
(Unreal / past condition)

3. If they had left on time, they would have caught the bus.

Had they left on time, they would have caught the bus.
(Unreal past action)

Conditional Clauses

Choose

1. _____ the greed of the big industrial manufacturers, we wouldn't be in this situation now.

- A. If B. Unless C. But for D. Although

2. _____ the big food producers were to find alternative ways to protect crops, this might safeguard people's health.

- A. If B. Even though C. Unless D. But for

3. _____ farmers having used these pesticides so much over the decades, the bee populations would be much safer now.

- A. If B. If it weren't for C. Provided that D. In case

4. _____ more and more people demand it, then things will change!

- A. Had it been B. As long as C. Otherwise D. But for

5. _____ you should ever talk to a beekeeper, they'll tell you about the real problems bees are encountering.

- A. If B. But for C. Unless D. Only if

6. _____ lack of information, I'm sure people would have started eating organic foods a long time ago.

- A. If B. Should C. If it hadn't been for D. Provided that

4 Rewrite the sentences using conditional sentences with inversion. (SB 40)

1. They don't use insecticides because they don't want the rice to be contaminated with chemicals.

Were they _____

2. They shared the advice online so that other farmers could learn about it.

Had _____

3. The ducks eat the weeds so that the crops aren't strangled by them.

Should _____

4. Reversing climate change would lower global temperatures.

Should _____

Choose

- **1. _____ you had to organize a feast, what sort of food would you serve?**
A. Without B. Supposing C. Should D. Otherwise
- **2. _____ knowing all your guests' dietary preferences, it would be hard to decide.**
A. Without B. Unless C. If D. Provided that
- **3. You could get lots of pizza, chicken nuggets or burgers. But _____ you do that, the vegetarians might feel left out.**
A. But for B. Should C. Not only D. Had
- **4. _____ you served fluffy roast potatoes and cheesy omelettes, they should be happy.**
A. Unless B. As long as C. Though D. If not

Choose

- **5. _____ you decided to go for a buffet, you would encounter other problems.**
A. Assuming B. Unless C. But for D. Despite
- **6. _____ you had plenty of space and enough money to hire a cook, it would be a great option.**
A. Otherwise B. Provided that C. Unless D. Even if
- **8. _____ dishes like those, anything could be on the table.**
A. But for B. Despite C. If D. Unless
- **9. _____ it's healthy and fresh, it can be served.**
A. Unless B. Even if C. On condition that D. Although

4 Complete the sentences with one word or a contraction in each gap. (WB 31)

- **1. If you _____ ever ask Rashed over for a meal, remember he's a vegan, so there are products he won't eat.**
A. would B. should C. might D. were
- **2. If it _____ been for governments banning those really dangerous pesticides years ago, the situation would be significantly worse than it is.**
A. didn't B. wouldn't have C. hadn't D. hasn't
- **3. As _____ as you cook it slowly in the oven for a few hours, it will be wonderfully tender.**
A. soon B. much C. long D. far
- **4. _____ for the sprigs of parsley, there would be no greenery on the plate at all.**
A. Except B. But C. In case D. Despite
- **5. If it hadn't _____ for the need to share the buffet with the group, I would have eaten everything in sight.**
A. being B. be C. been D. become
- **6. If we _____ to leave parts of our gardens untended, it would encourage biodiversity and the insects would flourish.**
A. should B. will C. are D. were

5 Complete the sentences with the words from the box. (WB 31)

- **1. _____ I brought some eggs? Would that help at all?**
A. Supposing B. Condition C. Without D. Should
- **2. _____ knowing about different cultures' eating habits, you're bound to put your foot in it at some point.**
A. Unless B. Without C. Assuming D. Supposing
- **3. _____ we start buying wonky fruit, the practice of throwing away good food is not going to change.**
A. Supposing B. Condition C. Should D. Without
- **4. _____ everyone likes avocados, we'll be fine for a starter.**
A. Unless B. Should C. Supposing D. Assuming
- **5. I'll eat again at that restaurant on _____ that they bring down some of their prices.**
A. condition B. unless C. supposing D. assuming
- **6. _____ I only get one piece of bread again, like last time, I'll complain.**
A. Unless B. Without C. Assuming D. Should

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