**ASV I – Week 23 - Conditionals**

**EXERCISE 1**

**Put the verbs in brackets into the correct tenses.**

1. The table will collapse if you (stand) on it.

2. The police (arrest) him if they catch him.

3. Someone (steal) your car if you leave it unlocked.

4. What will happen if my parachute (not open) ?

5. If he (wash) my car I'll give him £10.

6. If he (be) late we'll go without him.

7. If we leave the car here it (not be) in anybody's way.

8. If you come late they (not let) you in.

9. If he (go) on telling lies nobody will believe a word he says.

10. Unless he (sell) more he won't get much commission.

11. If I lend you £10 when you (repay) me?

12. We'll have to move upstairs if the river (rise) any higher.

13. Ice (turn) to water if you heat it.

14. If the house (burn) down we can claim compensation.

15. Unless you are more careful you (have) an accident.

16. If you (not believe) what I say, ask your mother.

17. If you will kindly sit down I (make) enquiries for you.

18. Unless I have a quiet room I (not be able) to do any work.

19. She won't open the door unless she (know) who it is.

20. Should you require anything else please (ring) the bell for the attendant.

**EXERCISE 2**

**Put the verbs in brackets into the correct tenses.**

1. If I had a typewriter I (type) it myself.

2. If I (know) his address I'd give it to you.

3. He (look) a lot better if he shaved more often.

4. I shouldn't drink that wine if I (be) you.

5. More tourists would come to this country if it (have) a better climate.

6. If I were sent to prison you (visit) me?

7. If you drove your car into the river you (be able) to get out?

8. If you (not belong) to a union you couldn't get a job.

9. What you (do) if you found a burglar in your house?

10. He might get fat if he (stop) smoking.

11. If you (see) someone drowning what would you do?

12. I (be) ruined if I bought her everything she asked for.

13. If you slept under a mosquito net you (not be) bitten so often.

14. If we had more rain our crops (grow) faster.

15. If they (ban) the sale of alcohol at football matches there might be less violence.

16. I (offer) to help if I thought I'd be any use.

17. What would you do if the lift (get) stuck between two floors?

18. If you (change) your job would it affect your pension?

19. You wouldn't have so much trouble with your car if you (have) it serviced regularly.

20. I'd climb over the wall if there (not be) so much broken glass on top of it.

**EXERCISE 3**

**Complete the sentence with a suitable form of the verb in brackets.**

**The Earth after Humans**

If all the people on Earth (disappear) tomorrow, nature (begin) to reclaim the planet. For a start, if people no longer (pollute) the atmosphere, the air (soon become) clean again. If there (be) no people to maintain buildings, they (soon begin) to decay, but more solid parts (take) thousands of years to disappear. In general, if the 6.5 billion humans no longer (compete) with other species on Earth, most species (benefit) . For example, if humans no longer (catch) fish, the numbers of fish worldwide (eventually increase) . However, if humans (vanish) from the Earth, endangered species of animals (not necessarily recover) as some are already too few in number. Some endangered species (have) greater difficulty surviving if no humans (take) the trouble to protect them from other species. Even if we no longer (poison) the planet, several decades (go by) before all dangerous chemicals (disappear) . And even if the burning of fossil fuels (cease) tomorrow, the oceans (not absorb) all the CO2 in the atmosphere for thousands of years. In the end, though, if alien visitors (land) on the Earth in 100,000 years time, they (find) no signs that an advanced civilization had ever lived here.

**EXERCISE 4**

**Put the verbs in brackets into the correct tenses.**

1. If I had known that you were in hospital I (visit) you.

2. The ground was very soft. But for that, my horse (win) .

3. If you (arrive) ten minutes earlier you would have got a seat.

4. You would have seen my garden at its best if you (be) here last week.

5. But for his quickness I (be) killed.

6. I shouldn't have believed it if I (not see) it with my own eyes.

7. If he had slipped he (fall) 500 meters.

8. If he had asked you, you (accept) ?

9. If I (had) a map I would have been all right.

10. If I (know) that you were coming I'd have baked a cake.

11. I (offer) to help him if I had realized that he was ill.

12. If you had left that wasp alone it (not sting) you.

13. If I (realize) what a bad driver you were I wouldn't have come with you.

14. If I had realized that the traffic lights were red I (stop) .

15. But for the fog we (reach) our destination ages ago.

16. If you had told me that he never paid his debts I (not lend) him the money.

17. If you (not sneeze) he wouldn't have known that we were there.

18. If you (put) some mustard in the sandwiches they would have tasted better.

19. The hens (not get) into the house if you had shut the door.

20. If he had known that the river was dangerous he (not try) to swim across it.

**EXERCISE 5**

**Put the verbs in brackets into the correct tenses.**

1. If you (find) a skeleton in the cellar don't mention it to anyone.

2. If you pass your examination we (have) a celebration.

3. What (happen) if I press this button?

4. I should have voted for her if I (have) a vote then.

5. If you go to Paris where you (stay) ?

6. If someone offered to buy you one of those rings, which you (choose) ?

7. The flight may be cancelled if the fog (get) thick.

8. Someone (sit) on your glasses if you leave them there.

9. You would play better bridge if you (not talk) so much.

10. Unless they turn that radio off I (go) mad.

11. If you were made redundant what you (do) ?

12. You (not have) so many accidents if you drove more slowly.

13. Unless they leave a lamp beside that hole in the road somebody (fall) into it.

14. If they (hang) that picture lower people would be able to see it.

15. I (bring) you some beer if I had known that you were thirsty.

16. If the story hadn't been true the newspaper (not print) it.

17. You (not be) any use to me unless you learn to type.

18. If anyone attacked me, my dog (jump) at his throat.

19. The ship would have run aground if the pilot (make) one mistake.

20. I wouldn't have taken your umbrella if I (know) that it was the only one you had.

**EXERCISE 6**

**Choose the correct option – insert A, B or C to complete the sentence.**

1. You can start doing Section 2 if you Section 1.

2. If you've become completely confused, you start again.

3. Could you get me a book from the library, if I the details.

4. If a moment, I'll see if I can find another question paper for you.

5. I'll go over the figures again, if you

6. If you the instructions, then of course you'll get the answers wrong!

7. If you a dictionary, then make sure you know how to use it!

8. If I finish my project on time, I a couple of days off!

1. A will finish B are going to finish C have finished

2. A will B had better C are going to

3. A give you B will give you C have given you

4. A you'll wait B you have waited C you are waiting

5. A will think that helps. B think that will help. C will think that will help.

6. A aren't reading B read C won't read

7. A will use B have used C are going to use

8. A had better take B am able to take C am going to take

**EXERCISE 7**

**Put the verb in brackets in a suitable form, using a negative where necessary.**

**The Extinction of the Dinosaurs**

The dinosaurs probably became extinct after a giant asteroid hit the Earth about 65 million years ago. But what (happen) if this asteroid (miss) ? Scientists believe that in this case, dinosaurs (continue) to dominate the Earth, and that modern animals (probably exist) . Instead of elephants and lions and so on, there (be) different types of dinosaurs, because the animals we have now simply (be able) to evolve. Some scientists have even suggested that dinosaurs (develop) along the same lines as human beings, but this is a minority view. The general view is that perhaps dinosaur brains (grow) larger, but if they (exist) today, dinosaurs (change) very much in general, and (look) much the same. The prospects for human beings would not be so good, however. If the asteroid (collide) with the Earth, there (probably be) any humans alive today. When the asteroid disaster wiped out the dinosaurs, it gave mammals the advantage. Without that space collision, mammals (stand) much chance against the dominant dinosaur species.

**EXERCISE 8**

**Underline the correct form.**

1. Small dogs can be carried on a passenger's knee *if only* / *provided* they do not cause inconvenience to passengers.

2. *Even if* / *Supposing* you could visit any country in the world. Where would you go?

3. I would like to thank the many colleagues who have made invaluable contributions: *unless* / *but for* their help, this project would not have been possible.

4. You must register your copy of the CD-ROM online, *otherwise* / *unless* it will not work.

5. If the government *were to* / *should* balance the budget, it would be able to increase spending.

6. You can easily get into trouble *if you happen to be* / *on condition that you are* in the wrong place at the wrong time.

7. We will give you a guaranteed price of €150 for your old computer, *even if* / *otherwise* it doesn't work.

8. According to the survey most people are happy to welcome foreigners to their country, *as long as* / *otherwise* they don't start behaving like foreigners.

9. Please don't interrupt the lesson *as long as* / *unless* you have an important point to make. 10. *If he should happen to have* / *If it hadn't been for* a leg injury, Adams would probably have won the race.

**EXERCISE 9**

**Choose the correct option, A, B or C, to complete each sentence about security issues.**

1. leaving valuable property in parked cars, their cars wouldn't be broken into.

2. a serious crime, what exactly should you do?

3. Please do not use the 999 emergency number you are reporting a genuine emergency.

4. you were travelling abroad, what could you do to improve your personal safety?

5. the information provided by members of the public, the police would have a much more difficult job.

6. Police often conduct security checks in this area so they may stop you, and you might be asked for your identity card or passport.

7. any objectionable items on the website, let us know and we will have them removed.

8. CCTV cameras installed in the store, many shoplifters would escape detection.

9. people locked all their doors and windows, there would be fewer break-ins.

10. your computer has a virus protection program, you might still fall victim to e-mail scams or malicious software.

1. A Unless people stopped B Imagine C If only people stopped

2. A Unless you witness B If you were to witness C If only you witness

3. A if B provided C unless

4. A Supposing B If so C As long as

5. A Supposing B Provided that C If it were not for

6. A otherwise B if so C even if

7. A Unless you notice B If you happen to notice C If you were to notice

8. A If there were to be B If only there were C If it weren't for

9. A If only B Otherwise C Even if

10. A Unless B Even if C On condition that