



ESL 340: Reading + Conditionals

Week 16, Thur. 5/10/18

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Don't forget to sign-in!

CONDITIONAL SPEAKING PRACTICE

- Grab a partner and come get a worksheet from the teacher
- Each partner (A & B) has different questions
- Take turns asking and answering questions
- These are **UNREAL CONDITIONALS**, so be careful with your verb tenses!

Daily Bookkeeping

• ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **Final Class TUE 5/15**
 - *Practice test and potluck party*
- **Final Exam THUR 5/17, 7:30 – 9:30**

▪ TODAY'S AGENDA:

1. Potluck sign up
2. Reading/vocabulary practice (p. 89)
3. Conditionals (unit 22) practice



• HOMEWORK:

- **Study study study!**
 - *The final exam will also include questions about the vocabulary from unit 4 of the reading book*
- **Complete Conditionals practice exercises (copies given in class)**
 - *Check your answers online with a different color pen*
- **Make corrections to essay and turn in for 5 extra credit points next week**

Essay Schedule

- **TUE 4/17** : Outlines DUE
 - THUR 4/19, return outlines
- **THUR 4/26** : First Draft DUE
 - Peer edit in class, take home to finish
- **TUE 5/1** : Final Draft DUE
 - TUE 5/8, return final draft
- **TUE 5/15** : Any extra credit corrections DUE



Vocab Practice (p. 89)

1. dialect
2. slang
3. synonyms
4. dominate
5. sexism
6. talkative
7. inferior
8. assertive
9. myth
10. uniqueness
11. profanity
12. exception
13. excessive
14. proverb
15. valued

NOUN	VERB	ADJECTIVE	ADVERB
assertiveness	assert	assertive	assertively
domination dominance	dominate	dominated /ing	X
exception	X	exceptional	exceptionally
excess	X	excessive	excessively
inferiority	X	inferior	X
myth	X	mythical	X

NOUN	VERB	ADJECTIVE	ADVERB
profanity	X	profane	X
proverb	X	proverbial	X
sexism	X	sexist	X
synonym	X	synonymous	X
talkativeness	talk	talkative	X
uniqueness	X	unique	uniquely
value	value	valued	X

Exercise 3, p. 383



Past Unreal Conditionals

- **The past unreal conditional** talks about unreal, untrue, imagined, or impossible conditions and their unreal results (hypothetical)
 - Use the **past perfect** in the “if clause”
 - Use could, might, or would + have + past participle in the result clause
 - If I had listened to my inner voice, I wouldn't have made that mistake.
 - Mary would have accepted your proposal if you'd asked in time.
 - I would have lent you money if I had known you were in financial difficulty.
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- **These sentences often express regret**

Present/Past Unreal Conditionals (Mixed)

- The times of the “if clause” and the result clause are sometimes different
- *Maybe something happened in the past that affected the present:*
 - If I hadn't gone to college, I would still work at the hardware store.
 - If he had taken his medication, he might not be in pain now.
- *Or maybe you're making an observation about the present:*
 - If Sam were here, I wouldn't have made steak because he's a vegetarian.
 - If John had the money, he would have gotten his car repaired.

Changing the Past

- Think of some important events in your past
- See the examples on the screen to help you
- Write a sentence to show how your life would be different now if you had never done this thing OR if you had
- Examples:
 - *If I had not gone to college, I wouldn't be a teacher now.*
 - *If I had gotten married, I would probably have children now.*

marriage
kids
moving
university
etc.

Exercise 5, p. 385

1. hadn't missed
2. wouldn't have taken
3. would never have met
4. would/could/might be
5. hadn't offered
6. would never have started
7. hadn't mentioned
8. would never have told
9. would never have applied
10. would not be studying

Using “wish” to Express Regret

- We often use unreal conditionals to express regret or sadness
- In a similar way, we use **“wish” + noun clause** to express sadness or desire for something different
 - I would earn more if I had a better job.
 - I wish (that) I had a better job.

 - I would be happier if my stomach weren't hurting.
 - I wish (that) my stomach weren't hurting.

“Wish”

- **Future:** use **wish + could/would**

- I wish (that) you would change your mind about buying a house.
- I wish (that) I could go to Europe next year.

- **Present:** use **wish + simple past**

- My wife wishes (that) I helped her with the housework more.
- My friends wish (that) I had more free time on the weekends.

- **Past:** use **wish + past perfect**

- My son wishes (that) he hadn't taken that job.
- Sometimes, I wish (that) I had listened to my mom about college.

Wish ≠ Hope

- Use **hope** to express a desire about events that are possible or probable
 - Use **wish** to express regrets about things that are unlikely or impossible to change
 - I wish that she would accept my proposal.
 - I wish that I could go to Europe next year.
 - I hope that she (will accept) accepts my proposal.
 - I hope that I can go to Europe next year.
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- *What are three of your wishes?*

Hope vs. Wish

1. I _____ I can get a good seat for the concert.
2. I _____ everybody would get here on time.
3. I _____ that you won't forget my birthday.
4. I 'll bet he _____ he hadn't forgotten her birthday.
5. We _____ we didn't have so much homework.
6. We _____ we won't have too much homework next semester.
7. I _____ this class would end.
8. We _____ this class will never end. We ___ this class would never end.

Using “If Only” to Express Regret

- **“If only”** is the same as **“wish”**
 - I wish (that) I were good at sports.
 - If only I were good at sports.
- Do not use **“that”** with **“if only”**!
- Use simple past for the present
 - If only we weren't so busy.
- Use past perfect for the past
 - If only I hadn't said that.

If Only ≠ Only if

- What is “only if”?
 - It’s a conditional clause that shows only one condition can produce a result
 - Only if Jerry studies more will he be able to pass.
 - I can go to the movies only if I finish my homework.
- What’s the difference with these?
 - If only Jerry studied more.
 - If only I could go to the movies.
- *Take your three wishes and rewrite them using “if only”*

Exercise 4, p. 384

- Look at the pictures and write a sentence with “wish” describing each situation
- Now, rewrite your sentences with “if only”



Exercise 4A, Answers

1. The drivers wish (that) they weren't stuck in traffic.
2. They wish (that) they had taken the subway instead.
3. He wishes (that) he had a better computer.
4. He wishes (that) he could afford a new one (computer).
5. People wish (that) their cell phones worked in this area.
6. They wish (that) they had good cell phone service.



Exercise 4B, Answers

1. If only someone would invent a flying car.
2. If only subways weren't so noisy and crowded.
3. If only researchers would (could) invent a computer that...
4. If only all computers were affordable for everyone.
5. If only someone would (could) invent a cell phone that...
6. If only cell phones didn't need cell phone towers.