

Practice Exercises

7 (1) Life Choices: Exercise A

Match the description with the picture of the appropriate person.



Harry ____ Joan ____ Joe ____ Sandra ____

- She used to work at a travel agency. If she had taken the higher paying job, she wouldn't be as happy now.
- She owns a small printing company. If she sells her company, she will be forced to make changes. She might have to lay off some employees.
- He and a group of friends are thinking of starting their own translation company. Though he wishes he could walk, he is looking forward to the future.
- He had to close his cafe. If he invests in the stock market, he might make enough money to retire.

7 (1) Life Choices: Exercise B

Complete the sentence with the appropriate word or phrase. Hint: Although both choices may be grammatical, only one is consistent with the stories in the *Life Choices* lesson.

- Sandra would never know what she could have done on her own (*if, unless*) _____ she sold her business to the larger company.
- Joan accepted the job at Ace Health (*because, even though*) _____ the pay was low.
- Another coffee shop opened up across the street. (*As a result, Because*) _____, Joe lost some of his customers.
- (*While, Even though*) _____ Joan was working at the travel agency, her agency was bought by another company.
- Sandra won't receive 10% of the larger company (*if, unless*) _____ she agrees to sell her business.
- Harry was able to get a job as a translator (*because, unless*) _____ he was fluent in five languages.

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7 (1) Life Choices: Exercise C

Match the sentence from the top of the page with the best sentence ending from the bottom of the page. Write the number of the sentence next to its sentence ending.

1. Had Harry spent his life feeling sorry for himself . . .
2. Joan wouldn't have been depressed . . .
3. Sandra will have to work harder . . .
4. If a coffee shop hadn't opened up across the street . . .
5. Joan took the job at Ace Health . . .
6. If Joe's investments fail . . .

(Sentence Endings)

- _____ . . . Joe might not have had to close his cafe.
- _____ . . . he wouldn't have been a successful translator.
- _____ . . . because she wanted a challenge.
- _____ . . . if they compete against her.
- _____ . . . he could lose everything.
- _____ . . . if she hadn't lost her job.

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7 (1) Life Choices: Exercise D

Rewrite the conditional without using *if*.

Example:

Original: *If the car hadn't been going so fast, it wouldn't have gone out of control.*

Rewrite: *Had the car not been going so fast, it wouldn't have gone out of control.*

1. If Joan hadn't joined the company, it wouldn't have doubled in size.

2. If the other coffee shop hadn't opened up across the street, Joe might not have had to close his business.

3. If Harry had not studied foreign languages, he would not have been able to become a translator.

4. Joan's job would not have been eliminated if another company hadn't bought her agency.

5. Joan thinks things would not have turned out so well if she hadn't taken a chance.

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7 (1) Life Choices: Exercise E

Rewrite the conditional using *if*.

1. Had Joan not liked the idea of working for a small company, she would not have taken the job at Ace Health.

2. Had the factory not had high levels of pollution, it would not have had to reduce its operations.

3. Had Joe's prices been lower, he might not have lost so much business.

4. Had Harry not been injured, he wouldn't have to use a wheelchair.

5. Had Joan not worked so hard, she might not have become a vice-president of the company.
