



Mini Lesson 016 - If and Unless

Explanation:

The words "**if**" and "**unless**" are often used in conditional sentences to talk about what happens under certain conditions.

- "**If**" introduces a condition that must be met for something to happen.
 - *Example:* "We'll go to the park **if** it's sunny." (Sunny = go to the park)
- "**Unless**" means "except if" and introduces the only situation in which the main clause is not true.
 - *Example:* "We'll go to the park **unless** it rains." (Rain = no park)

In practice, "**if**" and "**unless**" can often be used in different ways to convey different meanings. It's important to choose the correct one depending on the situation.





Lets practice:

Fill in the blanks with "**if**" or "**unless**":

1. You'll catch a cold _____ you wear a coat.
2. We'll be late _____ we hurry.
3. I'll call you _____ I arrive home.
4. The match will be postponed _____ it stops raining.
5. They won't succeed _____ they try harder.
6. You can't drive _____ you have a license.
7. She'll visit us _____ she's busy.
8. He won't finish the book _____ he has more time.
9. The kids will be upset _____ they can't play outside.
10. We won't go camping _____ the weather improves.
11. You won't understand the story _____ you read the book.
12. The car won't start _____ the battery is charged.
13. I'll be there _____ you need me.
14. She won't forgive him _____ he apologizes.
15. The dog won't stop barking _____ it sees a stranger.

Answers:

1. You'll catch a cold **if** you don't wear a coat.
2. We'll be late **unless** we hurry.
3. I'll call you **when** I arrive home.
4. The match will be postponed **unless** it stops raining.
5. They won't succeed **unless** they try harder.
6. You can't drive **unless** you have a license.
7. She'll visit us **unless** she's busy.
8. He won't finish the book **unless** he has more time.
9. The kids will be upset **if** they can't play outside.
10. We won't go camping **unless** the weather improves.
11. You won't understand the story **unless** you read the book.
12. The car won't start **unless** the battery is charged.
13. I'll be there **if** you need me.
14. She won't forgive him **unless** he apologizes.
15. The dog won't stop barking **if** it sees a stranger.

