Inversión negativa y condicional

Conditional inversion

En algunas condiciones podemos quitar **if** y empezar con **had**, **were** o **should**: Had I known...

Ejemplos / Examples

Never have we seen such a clear view. / Nunca habíamos visto una vista tan clara. Had I known, I would have called. / Si lo hubiera sabido, habría llamado.

Rewrite each sentence using the stated opening. Keep the meaning and verb tense.

Reescribe cada oración con el comienzo indicado. Conserva el significado y el tiempo verbal.

01. Él nunca ha probado una salsa tan sabrosa.
Rewrite with Never at the beginning: He has never tasted such a rich sauce.

02. Nosotros nunca hemos experimentado un cambio tan repentino.
Rewrite with Never at the beginning: We have never experienced such a sudden change.

03. Ellos nunca han conocido a un instructor más paciente.
Rewrite with Never at the beginning: They have never met a more patient instructor.

04. Nuestro equipo nunca ha sufrido tantos retrasos.
Rewrite with Never at the beginning: Our team has never faced so many delays.

05. El guía nunca ha visto una fotografía más nítida.
Rewrite with Never at the beginning: The guide has never seen a clearer photograph.

06. Mis vecinos nunca han leído un informe tan detallado.
Rewrite with Never at the beginning: My neighbours have never read such a detailed report.

07. El nuevo director nunca ha recibido tantas respuestas útiles.
Rewrite with Never at the beginning: The new director has never received so many helpful replies.

08. Yo nunca he encontrado la estación completamente vacía.
Rewrite with Never at the beginning: I have never found the station completely empty.

09. Tú nunca has oído una explicación tan convincente.
Rewrite with Never at the beginning: You have never heard such a convincing explanation.

10. Ella nunca ha visitado una isla tan tranquila.
Rewrite with Never at the beginning: She has never visited such a peaceful island.

11. Él pocas veces llega antes del amanecer.
Move Seldom to the beginning and invert: He seldom arrives before sunrise.

12. Nosotros pocas veces usamos la entrada lateral.
Move Seldom to the beginning and invert: We seldom use the side entrance.

13. Ellos pocas veces descansan durante las reuniones.
Move Seldom to the beginning and invert: They seldom take breaks during meetings.

14. El nuevo ayudante pocas veces comprueba las cifras dos veces.
Move Seldom to the beginning and invert: The new assistant seldom checks the figures twice.

15. Los pasajeros no deben entrar en el laboratorio sin permiso.
Rewrite with Under no circumstances: Passengers should never enter the laboratory without permission.

16. Nosotros no sabíamos que la sala se había reservado dos veces.
Rewrite with Little did: We did not know that the room had been booked twice.

17. El diseñador no solo diseñó la portada, sino que también escribió la introducción.
Rewrite with Not only at the beginning: The designer not only designed the cover but also wrote the introduction.

18. Los estudiantes no deben dejar las bolsas junto a la salida de emergencia.
Rewrite with Under no circumstances: Students should never leave bags beside the emergency exit.

19. Ellos no sabían que faltaban los archivos.
Rewrite with Little did: They did not know that the files were missing.

20. El equipo no solo revisó la lista de invitados, sino que también preparó las acreditaciones.
Rewrite with Not only at the beginning: The team not only checked the guest list but also prepared the name badges.

Continue / Continúa

21. Los pasajeros subieron al tren solo después de que el gerente dio luz verde.
Rewrite with Only after: The passengers boarded the train only after the manager had given the go-ahead.

22. La cafetería abrió sus puertas solo después de que llegó la aprobación final.
Rewrite with Only after: The café opened its doors only after the final approval had come through.

23. El técnico encendió el sistema solo después de que el equipo recibió las instrucciones.
Rewrite with Only after: The technician switched on the system only after the team had received the instructions.

24. El público ocupó sus asientos solo después de que se confirmaron todos los preparativos.
Rewrite with Only after: The audience took their seats only after all the arrangements had been confirmed.

25. Él se sentó a comer y, justo entonces, sonó el teléfono.
Rewrite with No sooner: He had just sat down to eat when the phone rang.

26. Nosotros cerramos la puerta principal y, justo entonces, alguien llamó al timbre.
Rewrite with Scarcely: We had just closed the front door when someone rang the bell.

27. Ellos empezaron la presentación y, justo entonces, el proyector dejó de funcionar.
Rewrite with No sooner: They had just started the presentation when the projector stopped working.

28. Los invitados llegaron al andén y, justo entonces, el tren se puso en marcha.
Rewrite with Scarcely: The guests had just reached the platform when the train pulled away.

29. Los excursionistas continuaron la caminata solo después de que se confirmaron todos los preparativos.
Rewrite with Only after: The hikers continued the walk only after all the arrangements had been confirmed.

30. Los jugadores empezaron el partido solo después de que se confirmaron todos los preparativos.
Rewrite with Only after: The players started the match only after all the arrangements had been confirmed.

31. Si él hubiera consultado el panel de salidas, él habría cogido el tren anterior.
Rewrite without if, beginning with Had: If he had checked the departure board, he would have caught the earlier train.

32. Si nosotros hubiéramos leído el aviso de seguridad, nosotros habríamos evitado la zona restringida.
Rewrite without if, beginning with Had: If we had read the safety notice, we would have avoided the restricted area.

33. Si ellos hubieran guardado el documento antes de cerrar el portátil, ellos habrían conservado los últimos cambios.
Rewrite without if, beginning with Had: If they had saved the document before closing the laptop, they would have kept the latest changes.

34. Si el guía hubiera salido diez minutos antes, el guía habría llegado puntual a la reunión.
Rewrite without if, beginning with Had: If the guide had left ten minutes earlier, the guide would have reached the meeting on time.

35. Si él cambiara la fecha de la reunión, avisaríamos a todo el mundo.
Rewrite without if, beginning with Were: If he were to change the meeting date, we would notify everyone.

36. Si nosotros cambiáramos el evento, el local devolvería la señal.
Rewrite without if, beginning with Were: If we were to cancel the event, the venue would refund the deposit.

37. Si ellos cambiaran la reunión a internet, enviaríamos un enlace nuevo.
Rewrite without if, beginning with Were: If they were to move the meeting online, we would send a new link.

38. Si empeorara el tiempo, el guía acortará la ruta.
Rewrite without if, beginning with Should: If the weather should worsen, the guide will shorten the route.

39. Si un visitante llegara después del cierre, llama al gerente de guardia.
Rewrite without if, beginning with Should: If a visitor should arrive after closing time, call the duty manager.

40. Si se retrasara tu paquete, ten a mano el número del pedido.
Rewrite without if, beginning with Should: If your parcel should be delayed, keep the order number ready.

Answer key / Soluciones

Complete transformations. The inversion trigger and auxiliary are shown in bold. / Transformaciones completas. El activador y el auxiliar aparecen en negrita.

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06. Never have my neighbours read such a detailed report.

07. Never has the new director received so many helpful replies.

08. Never have I found the station completely empty.

09. Never have you heard such a convincing explanation.

10. Never has she visited such a peaceful island.

11. Seldom does he arrive before sunrise.

12. Seldom do we use the side entrance.

13. Seldom do they take breaks during meetings.

14. Seldom does the new assistant check the figures twice.

15. Under no circumstances should passengers enter the laboratory without permission.

16. Little did we know that the room had been booked twice.

17. Not only did the designer design the cover, but they also wrote the introduction.

18. Under no circumstances should students leave bags beside the emergency exit.

19. Little did they know that the files were missing.

20. Not only did the team check the guest list, but it also prepared the name badges.

21. Only after the manager had given the go-ahead did the passengers board the train.

22. Only after the final approval had come through did the café open its doors.

23. Only after the team had received the instructions did the technician switch on the system.

24. Only after all the arrangements had been confirmed did the audience take their seats.

25. No sooner had he sat down to eat than the phone rang.

26. Scarcely had we closed the front door when someone rang the bell.

27. No sooner had they started the presentation than the projector stopped working.

28. Scarcely had the guests reached the platform when the train pulled away.

29. Only after all the arrangements had been confirmed did the hikers continue the walk.

30. Only after all the arrangements had been confirmed did the players start the match.

31. Had he checked the departure board, he would have caught the earlier train.

32. Had we read the safety notice, we would have avoided the restricted area.

33. Had they saved the document before closing the laptop, they would have kept the latest changes.

34. Had the guide left ten minutes earlier, the guide would have reached the meeting on time.

35. Were he to change the meeting date, we would notify everyone.

36. Were we to cancel the event, the venue would refund the deposit.

37. Were they to move the meeting online, we would send a new link.

38. Should the weather worsen, the guide will shorten the route.

39. Should a visitor arrive after closing time, call the duty manager.

40. Should your parcel be delayed, keep the order number ready.