

### Exercise 1

1. We couldn't have managed without my father's money.  
☐ If it *hadn't been for my father's money*, we couldn't have managed.
2. I had only just put the phone down when the boss rang back.  
☐ Hardly *had I put the phone down when the boss rang back..*
3. It was Walter Raleigh who introduced potatoes and tobacco into England.  
☐ The English owe *the introduction of potatoes and tobacco to WR...*
4. "If my members agree to that, I'll be very surprised," said the union delegate.  
☐ The union delegate observed that.. *he would be very surprised if his members agreed..*
5. While I strongly disapprove of your behavior, I will help you this time.  
☐ Despite my *strong disapproval of your behavior*, I will help you this time...
6. I'm sorry I missed Professor Baker's lecture. ☐ I'm sorry not to have heard/attended *Pro Baker's lecture*.
7. We may not be able to give the concert. ☐ The concert. *may have to be cancelled*.
8. I was not surprised to hear that Harry had failed his driving test.  
☐ It came. *as no surprise to me that Harry had failed his driving test..*

### Exercise 2:

1. John inflated the tyres of his bicycle. (blew) ☐ *John blew up the tyres of his bicycle*.
2. We'd better leave them a note, because it's possible they'll arrive later (case)  
☐ *We'd better leave them a note in case they arrive later*
3. Before he came here he worked for Mr/ Smith. (previous)  
☐ *Before the came here, his previous boss/employer was Mr. Smith*
4. He speaks German extremely well (command) ☐ *He has an excellent command of German*
5. His criticisms are quite unfair. (justification) ☐ *There is no justification for his criticisms*
6. I can't understand why they are reluctant to sign the contract (baffled)  
☐ *I am baffled by their reluctance to sign the contract*
7. I always find chess problems like that quite impossible. (defeat) ☐ *Chess problens like that (always) defeat me!*
8. This must be kept secret. (know) ☐ *You mustn't let anyone (else) know (this)*
9. I can't afford a new dress, that old blue one will have to do. (make)  
☐ *I can't afford a new dress. I'll (have) to make do with that old blue one*

### Exercise 3:

1. I only recognized him when he came into the light. ☐ *Not until he came into the light did I recognize him*
2. That rumor about the politician and the construction contract is absolutely false.  
☐ *There is(absolutely) no truth in that rumour about the politician and the construction contract*
3. One runner was too exhausted to complete the last lap of the race.  
☐ *One runner was so exhausted (that) he couldn't/was unable to complete the last lap of the race*
4. My mother was the most warm-hearted person I've ever known.  
☐ *I've never known a more warm-hearted person than my mother (was)*
5. They never made us do anything we didn't want to do. ☐ *We were never made to do anything we didn't want to*
6. The only thing that prevented the passing of the bill was the death of the Prime Minister.  
☐ *Had it not been for the death of the PM the bill would have been passed/got through*
7. It is quite pointless to complain. ☐ *There's no point in complaining*

### Exercise 4:

1. You can't possibly expect me to have supper ready by 8 o'clock. (question).  
☐ *There is no question of supper being ready by 8 o'clock*
2. It is my opinion that there is no advantage in further discussion. (see)  
☐ *As far as I can see, there is no advantage in further discussion*
3. Please excuse Jane's poor typing. She's only been learning for a month. (allowances)  
☐ *Please make allowances for Jane's poor typing; she's only been learning for a month*
4. There is no way that young man can achieve success in this test. (bound) ☐ *That young man is bound to fail in this test*
5. Although the dog appeared harmless, it was, in fact, quite dangerous. (contrary)  
☐ *Contrary to (its) (harmless) appearance, the dog was in fact quite dangerous*

6. If Smith hadn't broken his leg, he would have played football for England. (represented).  
☐ *If Smith hadn't broken his leg, he would have represented England*
7. This hotel is inaccessible in winter. (possible) ☐ *It's not possible to get to/to reach this hotel in winter*
8. As far as I know he is still working in Bristol. (knowledge). ☐ *To (the best of) my knowledge, he is still working in Bristol*

#### Exercise 5

1. The workers only called off the strike after a new pay offer.  
☐ *Only after a new pay offer did the workers call off the strike*
2. He was sentenced to six months in prison for his part in the robbery.  
☐ *He received a sentence of six months for his part in the robbery*
3. You can eat as much as you like for 5\$ at the new lunch-bar.  
☐ *There is no limit/restriction to how much you eat at the new lunch-bar*
4. She wore a hearing-aid, even though she could hear the phone ring perfectly well.  
☐ *She wasn't so deaf/hard of hearing that she couldn't hear the phone*
5. You will never meet anyone more generous than Mrs. Jones.  
☐ *Mrs. Jones is the most generous person you will/could ever meet/ (be likely) to meet*
6. My parents let me go abroad alone for the first time last year.  
☐ *I was allowed to go abroad alone for the first time last year*
7. It was his incompetence which led to their capture.  
☐ *If he hadn't been so incompetent they wouldn't have been captured*
8. I'm certainly not going to give you any more money. ☐ *I have no intention of giving you any more money*

#### Exercise 6:

1. I don't think there will be any applicants for this post. (likelihood)  
☐ *There is little/no likelihood that there will be applicants for this post*
2. It was difficult for Susan to believe the good news (hardly) ☐ *Susan could hardly believe the good news*
3. You must make allowances for his inexperience. (account)  
☐ *You must take his experience into account/ You must take account of his experience*
4. This contract is not binding until we both sign it. (bound)  
☐ *Neither (one) of us is bound by this contract until we both sign it*
5. He wasn't to blame for the accident. (fault) ☐ *The accident was not his fault.*
6. You shouldn't take his help for granted. (assume) ☐ *You should /do not assume (that) he will help you*

#### Exercise 7 :

1. Our hotel booking hasn't been confirmed. ☐ *We haven't received confirmation of/about our hotel booking (yet).*
2. The sales man told me that my new car would be delivered next Wednesday.  
☐ *According to the salesman my new car would/will be delivered next Wednesday*
3. The Yeti has very rarely been seen at this altitude. ☐ *There have been very few sightings of the Yeti at this altitude.*
4. It's not certain that Jones will get the job. ☐ *It is open to question (as to) whether Jones will get the job.*
5. Everyone started complaining the moment the announcement was made.  
☐ *No sooner had the announcement been made than everyone started complaining*
6. As I get older, I want to travel less. ☐ *The older I get the less I want to travel.*
7. A house in that district will cost you at least 100,000\$.  
☐ *You won't be able to buy/get a house in that district for less than/under \$100.000*
8. Alan worked too hard at the office, and this led to his illness.  
☐ *Alan's illness was caused by/brought about/due to/the result of his working too hard at the office*

#### Exercise 8:

1. Mr. Bill managed to repair the garage roof only because his neighbor helped him. (without)  
☐ *Without the help of his neighbor, Mr. Bill would/could not/never have repaired the garage roof.*
2. Nobody is infallible. (mistakes) ☐ *We all make mistakes/ Everyone makes mistakes/Everyone can make mistakes.*
3. The last Olympic Games were held in Seoul. (took) ☐ *The last Olympic Games took place in Seoul.*
4. He talked about nothing except the weather (sole) ☐ *His sole topic/subject of conversation was the weather.*
5. In the end, I felt I had been right to leave the club. (regrets)

- ☐ *I had no regrets about/on/over leaving the club in the end*
- 6. It is stupid of you to refuse Richard's offer of a loan. (idiot) ☐ *You are an idiot to refuse Richard's offer of a loan.*
- 7. The company has decided to replace this model. (intention) ☐ *It's the company's intention to replace this model.*
- 8. In the next few years we'll probably hear a lot more about environmental pollution (likely)  
☐ *We're likely to hear a lot more about environmental pollution in the next few years.*

#### Exercise 9 :

1. Keeping calm is the secret of passing your driving test.  
☐ *As long as you (can) keep/stay calm, you will/should/ought to pass your driving test.*
2. Immediately after his appointment to the post, the new editor fell ill.  
☐ *No sooner had he been/was he appointed to the post than the new editor fell ill.*
3. The protest has been so vociferous that the committee has had to reconsider.  
☐ *There has been such a vociferous protest that the committee has had to reconsider.*
4. You think that fat people are always jolly but you are wrong.  
☐ *Contrary to your belief/opinion, fat people are not always jolly.*
5. My boss works better when he's pressed for time. ☐ *The less time my boss has, the better he works.*
6. The patient recovered more rapidly than expected.  
☐ *The patient made a more rapid/a quicker/faster recovery than expected.*
7. There isn't a pair of thermal socks left in the shop, Madam. ☐ *We are completely (sold) out of thermal socks, Madam.*
8. Their chances of success are small. ☐ *It is not very) likely (that) they will succeed*

#### Exercise 10:

1. Their problems are all self-inflicted. (making) ☐ *Their problems are all of their own making.*
2. The travel agent was able to offer a 50% reduction on holidays to the Costa Brava. (half)  
☐ *The travel agent was able to offer half-price holidays to the Costa Brava.*
3. If you take that job, you'll have to get up at 6 a.m every morning. (mean)  
☐ *Taking that job will mean (that) you'll have to get up at 6a.m every morning.*
4. The only thing they could do was to look for a new flat. (alternative)  
☐ *They had no alternative but to look for a new flat.*
5. His last letter to me was written three years ago. (heard)  
☐ *I haven't heard from him for 3 years/I last heard from him 3 years ago.*
6. If only one could rely on what she says. (pity) ☐ *It's a pity (that) one/we cannot rely on what she says.*
7. An open fire can't be compared to central heating. (comparison)  
☐ *There is no comparison between an open fire and central heating.*
8. I remember very few things about my childhood. (scarcely)  
☐ *I can scarcely remember anything /a thing about my childhood.*

#### Exercise 11:

1. The rail workers do not intend to call off their strike. ☐ *The rail workers have no intention of calling off their strike.*
2. Mrs. Scott is proud of her cooking. ☐ *Mrs. Scott prides herself on her cooking/on being a good cook.*
3. It was the goalkeeper who saved the match for us.  
☐ *If it hadn't been for the goalkeeper we could/would have lost the match.*
4. It wasn't a bit surprised to hear that Karen had changed her job.  
☐ *It came as no surprise (to me) (to hear) that Karen had changed her job.*
5. You can try to get Tim to lend you his car but you won't succeed.  
☐ *There's no point in) (you/your) trying to get Tim to lend you his car/to borrow Tim's car.*
6. John didn't celebrate until he received the offer of promotion in writing.  
☐ *Not until John (had) received the offer of promotion in writing did he celebrate.*
7. I don't really like her, even though I admire her achievements.  
☐ *Much as I admire her achievements, I don't really like her.*
8. It's thought that the accident was caused by human error.  
☐ *The accident is thought/believed to have been caused by human error.*

#### Exercise 12:

1. Some people say that Tsiolkovsky invented the space rocket. (credited)  
□ *Tsiolkovsky is/has been credited with the invention of the space rocket.*
2. I daren't turn on the TV because the baby might wake up. (fear)  
□ *I daren't turn on the TV for fear of waking up the baby.*
3. Some people will do anything to lose weight. (lengths) □ *Some people will do any/great lengths to lose weight*
4. The two theories appear to be completely different. (common)  
□ *The 2 theories (appear to) have (got) nothing in common/no common ground*
5. Several members of the committee said they were worried about the chairman's proposals. (concern)  
□ *Several members of the committee expressed concern about/at/over the chairman's proposal*
6. The river Volta overflowed last year. (burst) □ *The river Volta burst its banks last year*
7. He doesn't appreciate his wife. (granted) □ *He takes his wife for granted*
8. The number of people out of work has been going down little by little. (gradual)  
□ *There has been a gradual decrease/decline/fall in the number of people out of work*

### Exercise 13:

1. House prices have risen dramatically this year. □ *There has been a dramatic increase in (the) house prices this year.*
2. This affair does not concern you. □ *This affair is no concern/business of yours.*
3. You must submit articles for the magazine by June 18<sup>th</sup>.  
□ *The final date for you to submit articles for the magazine is June 18<sup>th</sup>.*
4. Although Jimmy was the stronger of the two, his attacker soon overpowered him.  
□ *Despite his(superior) strength Jimmy was (soon) overpowered by his attacker.*
5. What a surprise to see you here! □ *Fancy seeing you here.*
6. I don't intend to apologise to either of them. □ *I have no intention of apologizing to either of them.*
7. It was only when I left home that I realized how much my father meant to me.  
□ *Not until(after) I (had) left home did I realize how much my father meant to me.*
8. The only reason the party was a success was that a famous film star attended.  
□ *Had it not been for the attendance/appearance of a famous film star the party would have been a failure*

### Exercise 14:

1. Gerald never had enough to live on until he married that rich businesswoman. (short)  
□ *Gerald was (always) short of money until/before he married that rich businesswoman*
2. William decided that an actor's life was not for him. (cut) □ *William (decided that he) was not cut out to be an actor*
3. The President arranged for me to use his chauffeur-driven car whenever I liked. (disposal)  
□ *The president put/placed his chauffeur-driven car at my disposal*
4. My cat has lost its appetite. (off) = *My cat has gone/is off its food*
5. The children made every effort to please their father (best) □ *The children did/tried their best to please their father*
6. His behavior was rather a shock to me (aback) □ *His behavior took me aback/ I was taken aback by his behavior*
7. They decided not to go by boat because they thought they would be seasick. (fear)  
□ *For fear of being/getting seasick they decided not to go by boat.*
8. The bank robbers escaped in a stolen car. (getaway) □ *The bank robbers made/effectuated their getaway in a stolen car.*

### Exercise 15 :

1. Alice and Charles did not decide to move to a bigger house until after the birth of their second child.  
□ *Only when A and C (had) had their second child did they decide to move to a bigger house*
2. You're under no obligation to accept their offer.  
□ *You can please yourself/yourselves about whether you accept their offer or not*
3. Martin may not be very well but he still manages to enjoy life.  
□ *Martin's poor health does not stop/prevent him from enjoying life*
4. The company presents a gold watch to each of its retiring employees.  
□ *Each of the company's retiring employee is represented a gold watch*
5. The only thing that kept us out of prison was the way he spoke the local dialect.



- ☐ But for his command *of (the) local dialect we would have been jailed/put into jail*
- 6. The Pacific Ocean is on average deeper than the Atlantic.  
☐ The average *depth of the Pacific (Ocean) is greater than that of the Atlantic*
- 7. My father finds maps hard to follow. ☐ My father has *difficulty/difficulties in following the maps*
- 8. Under no circumstances should you phone the police.  
☐ The last *thing you should/must/ought to do is to phone/phoning the police*

#### Exercise 16:

1. People don't want to buy cars with large engines any more. (call) ☐ *There isn't much call for cars with large engines*
2. Twenty years ago this region produced twice as much coal as it does now. (halved)  
☐ *Coal production/The coal produced in this region has (been) halved in the last 20 years*
3. The prime Minister is unlikely to call an early general election (likelihood)  
☐ *There is little likelihood of the PM calling a(n) (early general) election*
4. Nobody could possibly believe the story he told us (beyond) ☐ *The story he told us is/was beyond belief*
5. The project received the unanimous approval of the committee. (favour)  
☐ *The whole committee was/were in favour of the project*
6. Scientists say forests are being destroyed by air pollution. (blame).  
☐ *Scientists blame our pollution for the destruction of the forests*
7. His reactions are quite unpredictable (knows) ☐ *One never knows how he is going to/will/may/might react*
8. There are several categories of people who do not have to pay the new tax. (exempt)  
☐ *There are several categories of people who are exempt from (paying) the new tax*

#### Exercise 17

1. The film star wore dark glasses so that no one would recognize him.  
☐ The film star avoided *recognition/being recognized by wearing dark glasses*
2. I am amazed by the mistakes he makes. ☐ *What amazes me is/are the mistakes he makes.*
3. We weren't surprised by his success. ☐ *It came as no surprise to us (to hear) (that) he was/had been successful.*
4. "That's a lovely new dress, Jean" said her mother. ☐ *Jean's mother complimented Jean on her lovely new dress.*
5. We couldn't relax until all the guests had gone home.  
☐ *Only after/when all the guests had gone home/could we relax/were we able to relax.*
6. We couldn't find George anywhere. ☐ *George was nowhere to be found*
7. Customs officials are stopping more travellers than usual this week.  
☐ *An increased number of travellers is/are being stopped by customs officials this week.*
8. She listens more sympathetically than anyone else I know.  
☐ *She is a more sympathetic listener than anyone else I know.*

#### Exercise 18:

1. The minister's popularity suffered as a result of the scandal. (effect) ☐ *The scandal had a bad/negative effect*
2. The teachers agreed to introduce the new methods. (agreement)  
☐ *There was (an) agreement among the teachers to introduce new methods*
3. Jenny didn't feel like going to the party. (mood)  
☐ *Jenny wasn't in the mood to go to the party/for (going to) the party*
4. The councilor answered every question frankly. (frank) ☐ *The councilor gave frank answers to every question*
5. It is said that he has been to prison several times (reputed). ☐ *He is reputed to have been (sent) to prison*
6. Most stores will accept a credit card instead of cash. (alternative).  
☐ *Most stores will accept a credit card as an alternative to cash*
7. Our opinions on the subject are identical. (difference)  
☐ *There is (absolutely) no difference in/between our opinions on the subject*
8. Local residents said they were against the new traffic scheme. (disapproval)  
☐ *Local residents expressed/voiced their disapproval of the new traffic scheme*

#### Exercise 19:

1. No one has challenged his authority before. ☐ *This is the first time (that) someone has challenged his authority*

2. "If Brian doesn't train harder, I won't select him for the team," said the manager.  
☐ The manager threatened *not to select Brian (if he didn't train harder/unless he trained harder)*.
3. The hurricane blew the roof off the house.  
☐ The house *had its/the roof blown off by/in/during/because of the hurricane*
4. You'll certainly meet lots of people in your new job. ☐ You are *bound/sure/certain to meet lots of people*
5. I left without saying goodbye as I didn't want to disturb the meeting.  
☐ *Rather than disturb the meeting, I left without saying goodbye*
6. There aren't many other books which explain this problem so well.  
☐ In few other books *would one see this problem so well- explained*
7. I dislike it when people criticize me unfairly. ☐ I *object to people criticizing me unfairly*
8. Robert is sorry now that he didn't accept the job. ☐ Robert now wishes *(that) he had taken/accepted the job*.

#### Exercise 20:

1. If interest rates are cut, the economic situation may improve. (reduction)  
☐ *A reduction of/in interest rates may improve the economic situation*
2. The architect's new design was heavily criticized. (criticism)  
☐ *There was a heavy criticism of the architect's new design*
3. Very little money was raised by the charity appeal. (response) ☐ *There was very little response to the charity appeal*
4. Ours is the only company allowed to import these chemicals. (monopoly)  
☐ *Our company has got (the/a) monopoly of/on/over the importation of these chemicals*
5. The coach's tactics were directly responsible for the team's defeat. (consequence)  
☐ *The team's defeat was a/the direct consequence of the coach's tactics*
6. We have no idea where he is. (whereabouts)  
☐ *We don't know his whereabouts/His whereabouts is/are unknown to us*
7. The policeman acted quickly and averted an accident. (prompt)  
☐ *The prompt action of the policeman averted an accident*
8. This new record is certain to sell a lot of copies. (doubt)  
☐ *There is no doubt that this new record will sell a lot of copies*

#### Exercise 21:

1. I am having a lot of trouble now because I lost my passport last week.  
☐ *If I hadn't lost my passport last week, I wouldn't have been having so much trouble now*
2. When the police caught him, he was climbing over the garden wall.  
☐ *The police caught him (as he was) climbing over the garden wall*
3. It's sad, but unemployment is unlikely to go down this year.  
☐ *Sad though/as it is, unemployment is unlikely to go down this year*
4. It is believed that the man escaped in a stolen car. ☐ *The man is believed to have escaped in a stolen car.*
5. Since we had nothing else to do, we decided to go for a walk.  
☐ *Having nothing else to do, we decided to go for a walk*
6. "Nothing will persuade me to sleep in that haunted house," she said.  
☐ *She flatly refused to sleep in that haunted house.*
7. It wasn't necessary for them to call for help after all. ☐ *They didn't have/need to call for help after all*
8. You won't find a more dedicated worker anywhere than Mrs Jones.  
☐ *Nowhere will you find a more dedicated worker than Mrs. Jones*

#### Exercise 22:

1. I want to be left alone (disturbed) ☐ *I don't want to be disturbed*
2. He took the company to court on the grounds of unfair dismissal. (unfairly)
3. We're likely to be a little late, I'm afraid. (every) ☐ *There's every likelihood/possibility (that) we'll be late*
4. The Committee said they liked the first proposal best. (preference)  
☐ *The committee expressed a preference for the first proposal*
5. I really must answer all these letters. (get down) ☐ *I really must get down to answering all these letters*
6. It's not your fault. (blame) ☐ *Don't blame yourself/You're not to blame/ You musn't blame yourself*
7. People seem to be criticizing the police quite a lot nowadays. (criticism)  
☐ *There's quite a lot of criticism directed at the police nowadays.*
8. In a nutshell, the man's an idiot. (bluntly).

☐ Quite bluntly/To put it bluntly/Put bluntly/Putting it bluntly/Bluntly, the man's an idiot.

### Exercise 23

1. She had hardly begun to speak before people started interrupting her.  
☐ Hardly *had she begun to speak before/when people started interrupting her.*
2. It was a bit difficult to get into work this morning. ☐ Getting *into work this morning was a bit difficult.*
3. We regret to inform you that your application has not been successful.  
☐ Much *to our regret, we have to/must inform you that your application hasn't been successful.*
4. He knows really everything there is to know about whales. ☐ There's *hardly anything he doesn't know about whales.*
5. If we can solve the problem soon, it will be better for an concerned.  
☐ The sooner *we (can) solve the problem, the better it will be for all concerned.*
6. The demand was so great that they had to reprint the book immediately.  
☐ So *great was the demand that they had to reprint the book immediately.*
7. I'm absolutely sure that they weren't playing in this weather.  
☐ They *can't(possibly) have been playing in this weather.*
8. "I didn't steal the car," he said, "I just borrowed it".  
☐ He *denied stealing/having stolen the car but admitted borrowing/having borrowed it.*

### Exercise 24:

1. I'm dying to meet them (wait) ☐ I *(just) can't wait to meet them.*
2. They lay on the beach the whole week sunbathing. (spent)  
☐ They *spent the whole week lying on the beach sunbathing.*
3. I seriously doubt whether this will work. (doubts) ☐ I *have serious doubts as to whether this will work.*
4. He's always found it very difficult to learn English. (difficulties) ☐ He's *always had difficulties in learning English.*
5. I have no intention of giving up now. (intend) ☐ I *don't intend to give up now.*
6. They've always been allowed to do what they want. (freedom)  
☐ They've *always had/been given/been allowed the freedom to do what they want.*
7. This is quite a common occurrence. (frequently) ☐ This *(sort of) thing happens/occurs quite frequently.*
8. Something told me to say exactly what I thought, but I didn't. (sorely)  
☐ I *was sorely tempted to say exactly what I thought.*

### Exercise 25:

1. I only made that terrible mistake because I wasn't thinking.  
☐ If I *had (only) been thinking, I wouldn't have made that terrible mistake.*
2. We had planned to visit grandmother, so we left early in the morning.  
☐ We *were planning to visit grandmother, so we left early in the morning.*
3. Someone rang the alarm as soon as the burglars left the building.  
☐ No *sooner had the burglars left the building than someone rang the alarm.*
4. As television programmes become more popular, they seem to get worse.  
☐ The more *popular TV programmes become, the worse they seem to get.*
5. "I think the whole idea's ridiculous," he said. ☐ He *dismissed the whole idea as (being) ridiculous.*
6. The authorities will prosecute anyone they find trespassing on this land.  
☐ Anyone *found trespassing on this land will be prosecuted (by the authorities).*
7. I prefer going out for a meal to staying at home. ☐ I'd *rather go out for a meal than stay at home.*
8. It would have been a super weekend if it hadn't been for the weather.  
☐ But *for the weather, it would have been a super weekend*

### Exercise 26:

1. I was told the film would be very good. (led) ☐ I *was led to believe the film would be very good.*
2. She apologized for having to go so early, and left. (apologies) ☐ She *made/offered her apologise and left early.*
3. You have to register by 1<sup>st</sup> April at the latest. (deadline) ☐ The *deadline for registration is 1<sup>st</sup> Apr.*
4. The refugees are in serious need of warm clothes. (badly) ☐ The *refugees badly need warm clothes.*
5. I was mystified by the whole thing. (baffling) ☐ I *found the whole thing baffling.*
6. You don't have to buy one if you don't like it. (obligation) ☐ You're *under no obligation to buy one if you don't like it.*

7. If you promise not to laugh, I'll show you our holiday snaps. (long)  
☐ *As/Song long as you promise not to laugh, I'll show you our holiday snaps.*
8. How do you think the present negotiations will turn out? (outcome)  
☐ *What do you think the outcome of the present negotiations will be?*

**Exercise 27:**

1. "You should have waited for us," the team leader said to John.  
☐ *The team leader criticised John for not waiting/having waited for them*
2. It's possible that he didn't get my letter. ☐ He might *not have got my letter.*
3. The last time it snowed here was six years ago. ☐ It *last snowed here six years ago.*
4. I only realized what I had missed when they told me about it later.  
☐ *Only when they told me about it later did I realize what I had missed.*
5. There weren't nearly as many people there as I had expected.  
☐ *There were far fewer people there than I had expected*
6. When the Minister was asked about the strike, he declined to comment.  
☐ *On being asked about the strike, the Minister declined to comment*
7. There was no need for you to have gone to all that trouble. ☐ You *didn't need to go to all that trouble.*
8. Please don't say things like that. ☐ I wish you *wouldn't say things like that.*

**Exercise 28:**

1. I'd like you to wait until they bring out a new model. (rather)  
☐ *I'd rather you waited until they bring/brought out a new model*
2. We couldn't find the cat anywhere. (nowhere) ☐ *The cat was nowhere to be found*
3. What finally ended the dispute was the fact that the union agreed to go to arbitration. (agreement)  
☐ *What finally ended the dispute was the union's agreement to go to arbitration*
4. He won't let anyone else touch his records (objects) ☐ *He objects to anyone else touching*
5. The fact that nobody said anything at the time surprised me. (what)  
☐ *What surprised me was (the fact) that nobody said anything at the time*
6. The referee first blew the whistle 30 minutes into the game. (playing)  
☐ *They had been playing for 30 minutes when the referee first blew his whistle*
7. I admitted it was my fault for burning the toast. (blame)  
☐ *I admitted I was to blame for burning/having burnt the toast*
8. It's becoming extremely expensive to maintain the museum. (unkeep)  
☐ *The upkeep of the museum is becoming extremely expensive*

**Exercise 29 :**

1. This is the best essay I have ever written. ☐ *Never had I written such a good essay/a better essay than this*
2. I assumed that she would learn how to take shorthand after this course.  
☐ *I took it for granted that she would learn.....*
3. I am terribly sorry; I thought you were a friend of Anna's. ☐ *I took you for a friend of Anna's, I'm sorry*
4. Although she was busy, she managed to find the time to proofread for me. ☐ *Busy as/though she was, she.....*
5. I would prefer you to do computer science. ☐ *I'd rather you did computer science*
6. He didn't get his visa until last Monday. ☐ *It was not until last Monday that he got his visa*
7. They continued to say that I was to blame. ☐ *They persisted persisted in saying that I was to blame*
8. Vietnamese coffee is considered to be one of the best in the world.  
☐ *Vietnamese coffee is regarded as one of the best in the world*
9. If you ask me well in advance I'll be willing to work over time. ☐ *Provided you ask me well in advance, I'll.....*
10. "I never used bad language," she said. ☐ *She denied using/having used bad language*

**Exercise 30:**

1. He failed his exam because he missed classes so often. (consequence)  
☐ *As a consequence of missing classes so often, he failed his exam*
2. Send me a postcard as soon as you arrive. (minute) ☐ *Send me a postcard the minute you arrive*
3. You don't have to do it if you don't want to. (obligation) ☐ *You're under no obligation to do it if you don't want to*
4. I tried as hard as I could but I still failed my driving tests. (however)



- ☐ *However hard I tried, I didn't pass my driving tests*
5. I felt that it had been a big mistake to give up that job. (regretted) ☐ *I regretted ever having given up that job*
6. Strangers are not to be let in. (account) ☐ *On no account are strangers to be/must strangers be let in*
7. He joined the army as soon as he had finished school. (sooner)  
☐ *No sooner had he finished school than he joined the army*
8. If it weren't for the weather, I would enjoy working here so much (but)  
☐ *But for the weather, I would enjoy working here so much*
9. It rained torrentially all day yesterday, which really depressed me. (got)  
☐ *The torrential rain all day yesterday really got me down*
10. I wrote this book because I want to help students with their writing. (view)  
☐ *I wrote this book with a view to helping students with their writing*