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| **Conjunctions: Unless** | | |
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| **FORM:** | **... will + base verb + unless + present tense verb...**  (main clause) (subordinate clause)  or  **... unless ... + present tense verb ... + will + base verb ...** |  |
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|  | When describing the future, the main clause (noun + verb), the clause which could be a sentence by itself, takes “will + base verb” as its verb form. The subordinate clause begins with conjunctions, such as **“unless”**, **“until”**, **“while”** or **“because”**. It cannot be a sentence by itself. **Subordinate clauses always have present tense verbs when describing the future.**  **NOTE: unless = if…not** | |
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| **USE:** | This sentence form describes two future actions or states. One, described by **“will + base verb”** will be stopped or prevented by the other, described by the present tense following **“unless”**. | |
| **EXAMPLES:** | *Boris will play golf on Saturday unless it rains. (if it doesn’t rain).*  *Unless it rains, Boris will play golf on Saturday.* | |

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| *Make sentences with the same meaning by using UNLESS.* |

1. I will go to the zoo if it isn’t cold.

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2. You can’t travel abroad if you don’t have a passport.

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3. You can’t get a driver’s license if you’re not at least sixteen years old.

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4. If I don’t get some film, I won’t be able to take pictures on my trip.

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5. You’ll get hungry during class if you don’t eat breakfast.

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| *Make sentences with the following, using UNLESS.* |

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| 1. | Bill and Sue / movies / no babysitter  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | 2. | They / fly to Rome/ flights are full  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| 3. | Tom / mow lawn / rains  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | 5. | He / watch the late movie / too tired  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| 4. | I / beach / too cold  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |  |  |

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| *Complete the following sentences.* |

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| 1. | He will take the job unless \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | 4. | Unless it rains, she will \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| 2. | I will go to the movies unless \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | 5. | Unless he has no money, he \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| 3. | She will attend university unless \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | 6. | I will marry him unless \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |

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| *Complete the sentences.* |

1. Your letter won’t be delivered unless\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

2. Unless it rains,\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

3. I’m sorry, but you can’t see the doctor unless\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

4. Tomorrow I’m going to\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_unless\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

5. I can’t graduate from school unless\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

6. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_unless I get a raise in salary.

7. Certain species of animals will soon become extinct unless \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

8. The political situation in\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_will continue to deteriorate unless\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

9. The agent won’t give you your ticket unless\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

10. Unless you\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.