Unit 14 · Expressing Conditions

HARDER PRACTICE QUESTIONS · ANSWER KEY

Full marks 42

Give the marks for the points in the marking scheme; an answer in other words that says the same is right.

1 Words from the mirror

MARKING SCHEME V · 5

- ✓ i. *eligible*.
- ✓ ii. *cunning*.
- ✓ iii. *exception*.
- ✓ iv. *snatched*.
- ✓ v. *worthy*.

2 Reading: an unseen news story

a. **MARKING SCHEME** LC · 2

- ✓ Small stones were rolling down the slope above the road.
- ✓ Muddy water was running from a spring that had always been clear.

b. **MARKING SCHEME** R · 2

- ✓ *How* (how she stopped the bus).
- ✓ In the second paragraph: she ran to the bend and waved her umbrella at the bus.

c. **b.** Clearing the road may begin then, but only if the rain stops. I · 1

"If the rain stops, workers will start clearing it on Thursday." This is a first conditional: a real possibility, not a promise.

d. **MARKING SCHEME** I · 2

- ✓ She waved, so they weren't at the bend when the hillside fell.
- ✓ The school doesn't have a rain gauge, so students can't record each storm.

e. **MARKING SCHEME** V · 1

- ✓ Drove backward.

f. **MARKING SCHEME** E · 2

- ✓ They are Roshni's (and the driver's), not the reporter's.
- ✓ The reporter only tells us what they said, in quotation marks, and names who said it.

3 Likely or unlikely?

MARKING SCHEME I · 2

- ✓ Kriti.
- ✓ She uses the first conditional, for a real possibility; Sheetal's second conditional is for something unlikely.

4 From the truth to the if

MARKING SCHEME R · 4

- ✓ i. If Siddhanta had checked the brakes, his bicycle wouldn't have crashed into the wall.
- ✓ ii. If I had a phone, I could call you (or *I would call you*).
- ✓ iii. If the bus had come, Aakriti wouldn't have been late for the exam.
- ✓ iv. If the shop weren't closed (or *were open*), we could buy rice.

Science Playground, Katunje, Bhaktapur
Book a class visit: https://science-playground.com/booking

5 Find and fix the errors

MARKING SCHEME R · 8

- ✓ *If I was you* → **If I were you.**
- ✓ *If you will wait* → **If you wait.**
- ✓ *you would surely get* → **you will surely get.**
- ✓ *she may helps* → **she may help.**
- ✓ *he would win* → **he would have won.**
- ✓ *If I knew* → **If I had known.**
- ✓ A comma is needed after the if-clause: *with wet hands, the ink spreads*.
- ✓ *if, you practice* → **if you practice** (no comma when the if-clause comes second).

6 Writing: a news story from notes

ANSWER E · 6

Students Put Up Forty Bird Boxes
By (your name)
Tulsipur, Dang, 3rd Falgun

Grade 8 students of a community school in Tulsipur put up 40 bird boxes on trees along the school road yesterday.

The students had worked on the boxes for a month with their teacher, Mr. Arjun. The ward office gave the wood.

"If the birds come back, we will make more," said Rachana, one of the students.

MARKING SCHEME

- ✓ A short headline in news style, without small words.
- ✓ A byline.
- ✓ A dateline with both the place and the date.
- ✓ A lead that gives who, what, where and when.
- ✓ A body that adds the other facts, including the quotation with its speaker.
- ✓ Only facts from the notes, in news English.

7 Make your own

ANSWER E · 3

If the rain doesn't stop, the river will rise. If the river rises, the bridge will close. If the bridge closes, the bus won't come. If the bus doesn't come, I will miss the match.

MARKING SCHEME

- ✓ Four linked sentences, each result becoming the next condition.
- ✓ A present verb in every if-clause, and *will* in every main clause.
- ✓ A comma after each if-clause, and a chain that makes sense.

Science Playground, Katunje, Bhaktapur
Book a class visit: https://science-playground.com/booking

8 Think

ANSWER E · 4

The women have a point: the barber was cunning, and he made them believe in a magic that wasn't there. But the king has a point too: nobody forced them to stay away, and fear of their own faults kept them back. I think that the king is nearer the truth. If one of them had trusted herself, she might have been the queen.

MARKING SCHEME

- ✓ A point for the women (the mirror had no magic, the barber tricked them).
- ✓ A point for the king (their own fear stopped them).
- ✓ A clear opinion with a reason.
- ✓ A correct third conditional.

Marks by level	Literal comprehension	Reorganization	Inference	Evaluation and reflection	Vocabulary	**Total**
Marks	2	14	5	15	6	**42**

Science Playground, Katunje, Bhaktapur
Book a class visit: https://science-playground.com/booking