

INVERSION

REWRITE the following sentences using the word(s) given so that the new sentence has the same meaning as the original one. **DO NOT CHANGE** the word given

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When Harry and Meghan announced they were going to step back from the royal family, the tabloids immediately coined a name for it: Megxit. **(HARDLY)**

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There is talk that Germany will shut off Nord Stream 2 if Russia violates international law and human rights. Please, President Biden, just lift the sanctions. **(SHOULD)**

There is talk that Germany will shut off Nord Stream 2 **should** Russia violate international law and human rights. Please, President Biden, just lift the sanctions.

Use inversion after expressions **not until, only after, only since, only when, only if**

1. It wasn't acknowledged until February 10, 1920 that the President had suffered a cerebral thrombosis.
2. Saudi Arabia passed legislation criminalizing financial support of terrorist organizations only after widespread criticism from the international community.
3. He will regain his human form only when a woman loves him despite his appearance.
4. He wasn't hired by the Northern Pacific until January 1870.
5. Banks could be shut down only if they had been acting in violation of the law.

Use inversion in the following **conditional sentences**.

1. If the US had fallen under Gallic domination, French would probably be the world's lingua franca today.
2. French will become a dead language if it relies on English borrowings to describe the modern world.
3. If he had killed someone other than Dr. King, he would still be guilty of the same crime of murder.
4. If trade unions demand salaries or working conditions that seriously damage the productivity of their employers, they risk putting their employer out of business and losing their jobs completely.
5. If the US resumed underground nuclear testing, it is highly likely that Russia, China, and other countries would resume their own programs as well.

Paraphrase the following sentences using inversion after adverbs **so / such**.

1. Modern hybrid laying hens are so efficient that they don't even think of sitting on eggs.
2. My father had such a serious air about him that he intimidated even his colleagues.
3. Dr. DeBakey was so eloquent and gracious in our chat that I asked him if he would come on to the program.
4. Some of his work is so obscure that it lapses into the unreadable.
5. The Allmans had become such an important tenant that when the theater's new owner announced plans for a renovation in 2006 Allman was consulted.

Complete the sentences with expressions beginning with **'hardly / scarcely / barely' or 'no sooner'**.

1. _____ when observers fell into the habit of referring to it as the " post-Cold War " era.
2. _____ than I fell back in my chair, seized with violent despair.
3. _____ than he felt remorse.
4. _____ when polls started to register an increase in his approval ratings.
5. _____ than a score of voices shouted " Louder! "

Paraphrase the following sentences using inversion according to the models:

Model 1: We have been offering more care to more people over the past few years and we've been able to offer better quality of care. - **Not only have we** been offering more care to more people over the past few years, **but** we've also been able to offer better quality of care.

Model 2: Refugees are not nameless and they are not faceless. - Refugees are not nameless, **nor** are they faceless.

1. Their own children didn't care about their careers, and they weren't concerned in the least about tuition fees either.
2. Officials are adding a tower to the building that can be seen from the zoo entrance, and they are redoing the adjacent restaurant to add outdoor seating.
3. This president doesn't appear to have found his comfort zone in his new role, and he isn't communicating effectively with the public.
4. The Warriors are the more talented team, and they are physically tougher.
5. I do not seek the company of poets, and I wouldn't wish either of my two granddaughters to marry one.

Complete the sentences, using inversion.

1. Never before have I ...
2. Rarely do diplomats
3. On no account are Foreign Service officers....
4. Little did they ...
5. Never has an audience in this hall ...
6. Under no circumstances should the speaker ...
7. Seldom does anybody ...
8. Nowhere will you ...
9. In no way did the President ...

1. The speaker made an impact on that day; **moreover**, the speech would last in people's minds for years to come.
2. I'll **never** forget what my country went through during that war, and I **won't** let anyone else forget either.
3. The world has **never** been more in need of cooperative solutions.
4. The president **didn't know** that the NSA was spying on foreign leaders.
5. The new EU member-states **were ready to embrace** democratic institutions **and had a high level** of social capital and political infrastructure.

1. **If** the UN **had yielded** to Bush's pressure and legitimized the war in Iraq, the institution might indeed have lost its relevance.
2. We actually defeat fascism **only** by fighting and destroying it.
3. Traditional broad economic coercion **rarely** harms the target regime.
4. China fell into decline lasting roughly a century **only after** the arrival of Western colonialism.
5. The United States sees China's growing military capabilities as a threat to its own military bases in the Pacific **as well as** to its system of partnerships and alliances in the Asia-Pacific region.

1. The UN Charter permits resort to the right of self-defense **only when** an "armed" attack occurs.
2. Our own attitudes to ageing won't change **until** society's approach to older people has changed.
3. The level of foreign trade **wasn't high** in terms of national income, and the USSR **had not become** a major trading partner for most of the developed capitalist countries.
4. **If** the US talks **progress** successfully, this will illustrate to the EU that the UK has a deal with the US ready to go in the event of a UK-EU breakdown.

- 1.No other non-Western power with such potential to shape the global order has emerged **since** Japan rose to world-power status during the reign of the Meiji Emperor.
- 2.The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia began efforts, individually or with the international community, to reach a peaceful settlement **as soon as** it became apparent that war was on the horizon.
- 3.The speaker was **so** belligerent that there were loud boos from the audience.
- 4.**If** Cuba **hadn't been** subjected to this protracted economic war, it would have attained a higher level of socio-economic development.
- 5.**If** the US-China conflict **continues** to sharpen, the basis for global multilateralism may disappear.

1. There can be no final decisions on the future of the Irish border **until** the UK and the EU have reached a trade agreement.
2. After the joint statement was adopted, the United States **immediately** applied financial sanctions against the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.
3. **If** the UK **ended** up without a deal, domestic producers and retailers would respond by rethinking their sourcing.
4. He wouldn't be one of the world's greatest speakers he is today **if** he **hadn't made** a good impression in his early life.
5. They **didn't know** that events in 2020 would drastically accelerate the transformation of the healthcare industry.