

EXERCISES

I. Supply the correct verb forms.

1. He acts as if he (know) English perfectly.
2. We would rather (stay) home tonight.
3. It's high time you (have) a haircut.
4. Jack spent his money as if he (win) a lottery.
5. George would rather Jane (be) here tomorrow.
6. He is asking his friends about the accident as if he (be) a policeman.
7. She remembers what has happened as if it (be) yesterday.
8. The piano is in such good condition that it looks as though it (buy) yesterday.
9. It is about time this road (complete). They've been working on it for months
10. After the interruption, the speaker carried on talking as if nothing (happen).
11. It is high time you (start) thinking about saving for your old age.
12. I would rather (die) than (be) part of that shame.
13. Henry would rather that his girlfriend (work) in the same department as he (do).
14. I'd much rather (make) a phone call than (send) an email.
15. After eight male secretary generals in a row, the members think that it is high time a woman (choose).
16. Kate Hudson would rather (have) a new-way home than a traditional one.
17. I would rather they (do) something about it instead of just talking about it.
18. Some Parliament Members would rather Capital punishment (abolish) soon.
19. I would rather this unexpected thing never (happen).
20. Most TV stations would rather game shows (finance) from advertising revenue.

II. Rewrite the sentences, beginning with the words given.

1. My head seems to be on fire now. -> I feel as if...
2. I had a feeling that I was walking in the air. -> I felt as though...
3. Bill doesn't work hard. I'd like him to work hard. -> I'd rather...
4. He did not want to pay his debts. -> I'd rather...
5. He drives too fast. I want him not to drive too fast. -> I'd rather...
6. He spent his money like a prince. -> He spent his money as if...
7. You speak like a prophet. -> You speak as though...
8. We must set out, it is a little late. -> It's high time...
9. You should review your lessons for the exams. -> It's time...
10. He smokes a great deal. I'd like him to give up smoking. I'd rather...
11. She pretended not to know me. -> She looked as if she...
12. He should call me on the phone. -> It's time...
13. We must start working now. -> It's high time...
14. She made up like an actress. She made up as if...
15. She cried like a baby. -> She cried as though...
16. I need some more time to think over the problem. I cannot make up my mind yet. -> I would rather
17. We should solve the problem of pollution to save ourselves. -> It's time...

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18. I have always tried not to interfere with your affair. -> I would rather...
19. He is not very trustworthy so I advise you not to take what he says.
-> I would rather you...
20. The farmers are applying new methods to prevent the soil erosion.
->The farmers would rather...

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