Unit 7

Unit 7 Revision

1 Match the two parts of the sentences. Then identify the type of conditional (first, second, third or mixed).

   1 Fewer species would be endangered now
   2 If you really wanted to help,
   3 If the Minister hadn’t shown personal interest in the matter,
   4 People would be more ecologically-minded
   5 If we hadn’t wasted so much water today,
   6 Deforestation will be reduced

   a the proposal might never have been approved.
   b if their natural habitat had been protected.
   c you could make a more serious effort.
   d if they had been informed properly.
   e if local people are provided with economic alternatives.
   f there would be enough now to do the dishes.

   mixed  

2 Read the situations and complete the sentences with wish, would rather and if only.

   1 I didn’t learn much about global warming when I was at school.
      I wish I had learned more about global warming when I was at school.
   2 I’m sorry I wasted so much water today.
      I hadn’t wasted so much water today.
   3 Caitlin would like to have a more energy-efficient car.
      Caitlin she had a more energy-efficient car.
   4 Luke would really prefer you to present the proposal today.
      Luke you presented the proposal today.
   5 What a shame that the government didn’t punish those loggers more severely.
      the government had punished those loggers more severely.
   6 My brother always leaves his computer on when he goes out, and it makes me angry.
      my brother wouldn’t leave his computer on when he goes out.
3 Read the situations and complete the conditional sentences with the correct form of the verbs.

1 Eva didn’t know about any other water saving measures because there aren’t any.
   If there _______ (be) any other water saving measures, Eva _______ (know) about them.

2 Angie has to recharge her mobile phone every day because she plays so many games on it.
   If Angie _______ (not play) so many games on her mobile phone, she _______ (not have to) recharge it every day.

3 People didn’t think about the long-term consequences of their actions, and so now the natural water cycle is affected.
   The natural water cycle _______ (not be) affected if people _______ (think) about the long-term consequences of their actions.

4 You’re not very practical, which is why you didn’t find the solution to the problem.
   If you _______ (be) more practical, you _______ (find) the solution to the problem.

5 We didn’t leave the tap running while brushing our teeth. We saved lots of water.
   We _______ (not save) so much water if we _______ (leave) the tap running while brushing our teeth.

6 We’ve wasted our natural water resources. Now farmers have problems irrigating their fields.
   If we _______ (not waste) our natural water resources, farmers _______ (not have) problems irrigating their fields.

4 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs.

1 I wish I _______ (have) the qualifications to do the job, but I don’t.

2 I wish people _______ (be) more conscious of the environment, but they aren’t.

3 If only you _______ (tell) me about the campaign last week! I would have taken part.

4 I wish Joshua _______ (switch off) the lights before he goes to bed, but he just won’t.

5 Everyone would rather the oil companies _______ (not extract) oil from that particular region.
   Now the damage is done.

6 If only they _______ (stop) setting fire to the forests, but they don’t.

7 Karen would rather _______ (take) the train than go to work by car.