

1) We continue working with Second Conditional. (Si no lo recordás, mirá el trabajo anterior nº7)

In which circumstances you would....

- lie to a police officer? I would lie to a police officer if...
- live in another country?
- write to the government?
- sing in public?
- run a marathon?
- Break the law

2) Read the article. Match the pictures (A-D) with the paragraphs (1-6). 3 paragraphs do not have pictures.

### Crazy laws

1 It seems that the Greek philosopher, Aristotle, was right when he said, 'Even when laws have been written down, they ought not always to remain unaltered.' Laws in some parts of the world haven't changed for centuries, and some of them were strange right from the start!

2 Did you know, for example, that London taxis (officially called Hackney carriages) are still legally required to carry hay and oats for their horses to eat? And in England, it is (1) \_\_\_\_\_ to stand within 100 yards (91 metres) of the Queen, without wearing socks? It is also illegal for a Member of Parliament to enter the Houses of Parliament, where these crazy laws are made and discussed, wearing a full suit of armour.

3 If you live in Scotland, however, it's important to know that if someone knocks at the door of your house, and needs to use your toilet, you are legally required to let him in. But if you are Scottish you should stay away from the city of York, in the north of England. There, it is perfectly legal to shoot a Scotman with a bow and arrow, unless it is a Sunday!

4 But strange laws don't just exist in the UK. In France, you cannot call your pig Napoleon, and in Italy, a man can be (2) \_\_\_\_\_ for wearing a skirt. That's not all. In Alaska, US, while it's legal to shoot bears, waking a sleeping bear to take its photo is prohibited. Still in Alaska, it is considered an (3) \_\_\_\_\_ to push a live moose out of an aeroplane.

5 Lots of the craziest laws seem to involve animals. In Hollywood, in the US it is illegal to take more than 2,000 sheep down Hollywood Boulevard at any one time. And in Florida, if an elephant is left tied to a parking meter, the parking fine must be paid, just as it would for a vehicle.

6 Lastly, children are (4) \_\_\_\_\_ from going to school with their breath smelling of wild onions in West Virginia. And in Arkansas, teachers who have a certain haircut (a bob) will not be given a pay-rise. In Florida, a woman can be fined for falling asleep under the hair-dryer and unmarried women must not parachute on a Sunday. If they do, they might be arrested, receive a (5) \_\_\_\_\_ or be put in jail.

3) Read the article again, then complete it with the following words:

ARRESTED - FINE - FORBIDDEN - ILLEGAL - OFFENCE

4) Read the article again and write true(T) or false(F).

- a. Aristotele believed that laws should never change.
- b. The UK has laws about what politicians are allowed to wear.
- c. The French have laws about animal names.
- d. People can take as many animals as they like down the streets of Hollywood.

5) Match the sentence beginnings (1-8) with the sentence endings (a-h) to make First or Second Conditional sentences.

- 1. If we have children
- 2. I´ll earn lots of money
- 3. If Simon didn´t spend all his money
- 4. If my computer crashes one more time
- 5. He won´t watch so much TV
- 6. What would you say
- 7. If you had more cash
- 8. We´ll spend more time outside

- a. I think I´ll scream!
- b. would you buy a better MP3 player?
- c. when we move to a hot country.
- d. we´ll need a bigger house.
- e. he could afford to buy a new car.
- f. If my blog becomes popular.
- g. If he asked you to marry him?
- h. If he starts going out in the evenings.