

Use of English C1: inversione e registro

Scheda 3 di 4 · Match the patterns

LA REGOLA

Un'espressione negativa o restrittiva iniziale può invertire ausiliare e soggetto: Never have I seen; Only then did we learn. Nei periodi ipotetici formali, Had I known e Should you need sostituiscono if. No sooner si abbina a than; hardly/scarcely a when. L'inversione dà enfasi e dipende dal genere: avviso, racconto, discorso o email formale; una conversazione comune tende a preferire l'ordine normale.

Attenzione! — l'errore tipico. Non basta mettere never all'inizio: Never I have seen è scorretto. Non si scambiano neppure than e when nelle coppie fisse.

1 Classifica A–F: lo spazio richiede than, when o nessuna delle due?

A. No sooner had I arrived ___ the phone rang. · B. Hardly had I arrived ___ the phone rang. · C. Only then did I notice the note ___ lay on the table. · D. Scarcely had the film begun ___ the alarm sounded. · E. No sooner had the film begun ___ the alarm sounded. · F. Never had the room ___ so bright.

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2 Collega ogni contesto alla formulazione di registro appropriato.

I've never seen that film. · Never had she felt so far from home. · Should you wish to attend, please reply. · Under no circumstances should the door be blocked.

A safety sign	
A chat with a friend	
A formal invitation	
A fictional memory	

3 Collega ogni prima proposizione al connettivo e alla chiusura.

but it also omitted the source. · did the team publish the list. · than the queue began to move. · when the lights went out.

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Hardly had the doors opened	
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Ritaglia o piega questa pagina prima di consegnare la scheda.

- 1 than: A. No sooner had I arrived ___ the phone rang., E. No sooner had the film begun ___ the alarm sounded. · when: B. Hardly had I arrived ___ the phone rang., D. Scarcely had the film begun ___ the alarm sounded. · neither: C. Only then did I notice the note ___ lay on the table., F. Never had the room ___ so bright.
- 2 A safety sign → Under no circumstances should the door be blocked. · A chat with a friend → I've never seen that film. · A formal invitation → Should you wish to attend, please reply. · A fictional memory → Never had she felt so far from home.
- 3 No sooner had the doors opened → than the queue began to move. · Hardly had the doors opened → when the lights went out. · Only after the check → did the team publish the list. · Not only was the claim inaccurate, → but it also omitted the source.