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Conversation 1:

Behzad: How's everything, Amin? You seem to be busy these days, don't you?

Amin: I'm OK Behzad. I'm working on a new project. I'm really tired.

Behzad: But your health is really important, isn't it?

Amin: I know. But what about work, money, responsibility, ...? We need to consider them all, don't we?

Behzad: Yes, but health is on top of everything **comes first/is above everything else.**

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Dr. Asadi is answering this important question: “~~why~~ **Why** is it important to care for our elders?” I think first of all we need to remember that they are our mothers and fathers, and our first teachers. They teach us how to love, how to care, ~~how to give~~, how to forgive, and how to accept. Second, elders have more knowledge and wisdom than any one of us. They’ve come so far and they’ve learned so much; we have a responsibility to learn from that wisdom. But the most important thing is their experience. We may or may not know of all the ups and downs they’ve faced in life, but they’ve definitely gained experience that is worth respecting and learning from. Our elders may hide much pain from us because they don’t want us to feel the pain. The least we can do is appreciate them for all they’ve gone through and learn from their insight into situations.

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Conversation 1:

Zohreh: This weekend is my birthday. I have invited everyone but Mina.

Maryam: Why not? If I were you, I would certainly invite her. As far as I know, you were close friends at school.

Zohreh: Yes. But she has moved to another neighborhood. If I had her address, I would invite her.

Maryam: What a pity! ~~If I knew that sooner, I could help you~~ **If I had known that sooner, I could have helped you.**

Zohreh: How?

Maryam: I could check it with my sister. She is her mother's friend. (**Better: I could check with my sister, who is friends with Mina's mother.**)

Zohreh: Can you call her now?

Maryam: Unfortunately, she is not available till next Wednesday. Sorry.

Conversation 2:

Bijan: Are you Okay?

Mehran: I'm thinking about something.

Bijan: What's wrong?

Mehran: I have saved some money to buy a new mobile phone. But one of my friends is in trouble and needs some money. What would you **do** if you were in my shoes?

Mehran: What is his problem?

Bijan: I could tell you about it **if** it weren't a secret. But it's an emergency.

Mehran: Ok. If I were you, I would give him the money. A friend in need **is** a friend indeed.

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Sometimes it is fun to think about things that will never happen. We can ask ourselves questions that don't have any real answers. For instance, we can think: what would I do if I had a time machine ~~to travel with~~ right now? Some people may say: I would visit the past if I had that machine. Or I would visit the future to see the world and people of the future. Maybe you have thought about this: What would I do if I had this ability to talk to animals? What would I say? Some people would prefer to talk with cats or birds, but some would not like the idea. They would feel frightened! **(Better: Some people might want to visit the past, while others might choose to see the world and people of the future. Maybe you have thought about having the ability to talk to animals. What would you say? Some people would enjoy a discussion with cats or birds, but others would not like the idea. They would feel frightened!)**

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Conversation 1:

Amir: Why didn't you go to the new restaurant last night?

Rasoul: We didn't want to. We had already tried the food there the weekend before.

Amir: Really? Did you like the food?

Rasoul: That was OK. We all ordered chicken with rice. I had never tasted their special sauce anywhere else. (**Better: It had a sauce I'd never tasted anywhere else.**)

Amir: Was it pomegranate sauce?

Rasoul: No. it wasn't. I had already tasted pomegranate sauce at home. (**Better: I would have recognized pomegranate sauce, because I've had it at home.**)

Amir: Was it **the food** expensive?

Rasoul: I think it was cheaper than the food we had tried in other restaurants. (**Better: As I recall, it was cheaper than the food in some of the other restaurants.**)

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