

Grammar 13 – INVERSION – ANSWER KEY

- 1** a) *Hardly had*
b) Under no circumstances are
c) Little did
d) Were you
e) as did
f) Rarely have
g) Not only did
h) Under no circumstances will
i) No sooner had
j) Rarely have

- 2** a) *the office phoned me did I find out*
b) later were the facts
c) was the response
d) did Harry break his leg but he
e) did the police suspect the judge
f) no way can the bus driver be held
g) the government to raise
h) had I got home than
i) I asked a passer-by, did I realise
j) had the minister started his speech when

- 3** a) *inappropriate* - too formal in everyday conversation
d) *inappropriate* - too formal when talking to a child
e) *inappropriate* - too formal when talking to a friend about this topic.
h) *inappropriate* - too formal for everyday speech

- 4** a) *you need*
b) to have taken off
c) I studied
d) you be
e) you gone
f) has/had she spent
g) you feel
h) we to offer
l) you/we/they/the government taken
j) had we got

- 5** a) *he would never*
b) did I remember
c) when
d) was I
e) was I aware
f) passed
g) Pete has arrived
h) than
6 1) *No sooner*
2) *Seldom*

- 3) along
- 4) Not only
- 5) Little
- 6) Scarcely
- 7) Such
- 8) Had
- 9) under no circumstances
- 10) as
- a) *am I (ever) to be interrupted*
- b) has anyone from this school
- c) was so great
- d) no circumstances is the money
- e) three days had passed, did we arrive
- f) had no idea
- g) when I stopped did I realise
- h) no time did the accused express
- i) exhausted were the runners that none
- j) do we see/does one see