**AS LONG AS, PROVIDED, UNLESS, IN CASE...**

**SO/AS LONG AS, PROVIDING/PROVIDED (THAT)**

*So/As long as* and *providing/provided (that)* can be used instead of *if* to express a condition. Note that *providing/provided (that)* is a bit formal:

*You can stay here****as long as****you keep quiet.****Provided/Providing (that)****the bills are paid, tenants will not be evicted.*

**UNLESS**

*Unless* is followed by an affirmative verb to express "if ... not":

*My leg's broken. I can't stand up****unless you help me****.* (I can't stand up **if you don't help me**.)

**IN CASE and IF**

An *in case*-clause gives a reason while an *if*-clause describes a condition:

*I'll buy a sandwich****in case I get hungry****.* (I'll buy a sandwich because I may get hungry later.)  
*I'll buy a sandwich****if I get hungry****.* (I'll buy a sandwich when I get hungry.)

We can use *should* after *in case*:

*Take an umbrella****in case it should rain****.*