

## 4B GRAMMAR adding emphasis (1): inversion

a Read these people's online reviews. Complete the comments with a word from the list.

again but hardly never no not only rarely scarcely sooner until when

### Restaurant reviews



Fantastic service! No <sup>1</sup> sooner had we sat down at our table than we were offered a drink.



<sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ only did the organic vegetable lasagna look good, it was absolutely delicious too!



Hardly had we finished our starters <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ the waiter brought us our main courses. It was almost as if they wanted us to leave quickly!

### Books



<sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ have I read such a gripping book. I just couldn't put it down!



<sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ when I compared the original to the translated version did I see just how bad the translation really was.



<sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ had I finished the first book before I wanted to buy the sequel.

### Hotels



Not only were our rooms not available when we arrived <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ there was also nowhere to leave our luggage.



<sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ had I gone to sleep when the music from the hotel bar below woke me up. Not good when you have jet lag.



Not <sup>9</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ you stay at this hotel do you really understand the meaning of the word 'luxury'. 10/10.

### Films



<sup>10</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ have I seen such a moving film. There are only a few that can compare.



Never <sup>11</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ will I watch a Ridley Scott film online. You really need to go to the cinema to appreciate the special effects.



<sup>12</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ sooner had the film started than the person sitting behind us gave away the ending.

### activation

b Write a short review (just a paragraph) for an online website about a restaurant / book / hotel / film experience you have had. In your paragraph, use one or two negative adverbial expressions followed by inversion to emphasize your point.