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Third conditional

- ❖ We normally use third conditional sentences to talk about how things could have been different in the past, i.e. for hypothetical/imaginary situations. Compare:

Yesterday I got up late and missed my train. (= the real situation)

If I hadn't got up late yesterday, I wouldn't have missed my train.

(= the hypothetical or imaginary situation)

- ❖ To make a third conditional, use ***if + past perfect*** and ***would have + past participle***
- ❖ The contraction of both *had* and *would* is ***'d***
- ❖ We can use *might* or *could* instead of *would* to make the result less certain.

If she'd studied harder, she might have passed the exam.

Complete the third conditional sentences with the correct form of the verbs.

1. If you _____ me to the airport, I _____ my flight. (not take, miss)
2. We _____ the match if the referee _____ us a penalty. (not win, not give)
3. You _____ the weekend if you _____ with us. (enjoy, come)
4. If I _____ the theatre tickets online, they _____ more expensive. (not buy, be)
5. Mike _____ his wife's birthday if she _____ him. (forget, not remind)

6. If the police _____ five minutes later, they
_____ the thief. (arrive, not catch)
7. If you _____ me the money, I _____ to go
away for the weekend. (not lend, not be able)
8. You _____ yourself if you _____ off
the horse. (hurt, fall)
9. We _____ the hotel if we _____ the
signpost. (not find, not see)
10. If I _____ about the job, I _____ for
it. (know, apply)