

182 - Reflecting on the Past - Tercer Condicional

A. Match each word or phrase to the right translation. Une cada palabra o frase con la traducción correcta (fijate en el ejemplo).

1. Vecinos		Memories
2. Reflexionar		Choice
3. Carrera		Regret
4. Relación		Reflect
5. Recuerdos		Career
6. Perderse	1	Neighbours
7. Arrepentimiento		Relationship
8. Elección		Miss

B. Choose the right option (use the letters A or B). Elige la opción correcta (usa las letras A o B).

If I had gone to college,...

1. _____

A. my life will be very different.

B. my life would have been very different.

_____, I would have seen many new places.

2. _____

A. If I had taken the opportunity,...

B. If I took the opportunity,...

- c. Complete the text using the words from the box. Completa el texto usando las palabras del recuadro (fíjate en el ejemplo).

regret - missed - memories - relationships - opportunity - career - choices

Aunt Mary's Reflections. Reflexiones de la Tía Mary

Aunt Mary liked to sit in her rocking chair by the window and tell her neighbours' children stories about her past. One day, she started reflecting on how different her life might have been if she had made other choices.

"If I had gone to college instead of staying in my village, my life would have been very different," Mary said. "I stayed to help my parents, but if I had moved to the city, I might have had an interesting _____."

She continued, "If I had accepted that job offer, I would have traveled the world. I was offered a great job at a big company but stayed here. If I had taken the _____, I would have seen many new places."

Mary also remembered her _____. "If I had dated that nice man, we might have spent our lives together. He was very kind, but I was too focused on my work. If I had spent more time with him, I might have found true love."

As the afternoon went on, Mary kept sharing her stories. "If I had gone on that trip with my friends, I would have made wonderful _____. I stayed home instead and missed out on a great adventure."

The neighbours' children listened carefully, understanding how her choices, even the missed ones, shaped her life. Mary smiled as she finished her stories, appreciating both the moments she lived and the ones she _____.

"Remember," she said, "sometimes life doesn't go as planned, and we may feel _____ about some decisions. But every decision teaches us something and makes us who we are."