



Expressing attitudes to the past

Instructions: Match the structure with the attitude it usually expresses.

Structure	Attitude
1. would have + past participle	A. regret / reflection
2. should have + past participle	B. criticism / missed obligation
3. might have + past participle	C. possibility / uncertainty
4. could have + past participle	D. alternative past action
5. if + past perfect, would have	E. hypothetical past result

Instructions: Rewrite each sentence using the word in brackets.

1. I regret not studying harder. (**third conditional**)

2. It was a mistake not to call earlier. (**should have**)

3. Perhaps he didn't receive the message. (**might have**)

4. There was another possible solution. (**could have**)

5. The result was a consequence of poor planning. (**if... had... would have**)
