

The Benjamin Button Case. The car accident scene.

1 WATCH THE VIDEO AND PUT THE VERBS IN BRACKETS IN THE CORRECT TENSE

Sometimes we're on a collision course, and we just don't know it. Whether it's by accident or by design, there's not a thing we can do about it:

*A woman in Paris _____(be) on her way to go shopping, but _____(forget) her coat - went back to get it. When she _____(get) her coat, the phone _____(ring), so she'd stopped to answer it; talked for a couple of minutes.

* While the woman _____(be) on the phone, Daisy _____(rehearse) for a performance at the Paris Opera House. And while she _____(rehearse), the woman, off the phone now, _____(go) outside to get a taxi.

* Now a taxi driver _____(drop off) a fare earlier and _____(stop) to get a cup of coffee. And all the while, Daisy _____(rehearse). And this cab driver, who dropped off the earlier fare; who _____(stop) to get the cup of coffee, _____(pick up) the lady who was going to shopping, and _____(miss) getting an earlier cab.

* The taxi _____(have) to stop for a man crossing the street, who _____(leave) for work five minutes later than he normally _____(do), because he _____(forget) to set off his alarm. While that man, late for work, _____(cross) the street, Daisy _____(finish) rehearsing, and _____(take) a shower. And while Daisy _____(shower), the taxi _____(wait) outside a boutique for the woman to pick up a package, which hadn't been wrapped yet, because the girl who was supposed to wrap it _____(break up) with her boyfriend the night before, and _____(forget).

*When the package was wrapped, the woman, who _____(be) back in the cab, was blocked by a delivery truck, all the while Daisy _____(get dressed). The delivery truck _____(pull away) and the taxi was able to move, while Daisy, the last to be dressed, _____(wait) for one of her friends, who _____(break) a shoelace.

*While the taxi was stopped, waiting for a traffic light, Daisy and her friend _____(come) out the back of the theater. And if only one thing had happened differently.....

2 Use the prompts to make sentences using third conditional saying what it would have saved Daisy from the car accident

1. shoelace break - 2. delivery truck move moments earlier -3. package wrap and ready -4. the girl break up with her boyfriend – 5. man set his alarm and get up five minutes earlier – 6. taxi driver stop for a cup of coffee – 7. woman remembered her coat and get into an earlier cab -8. Daisy and her friend cross

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

6. _____

7. _____

8. _____



But life being what it is - a series of intersecting lives and incidents, out of anyone's control - that taxi did not go by, and that driver was momentarily distracted, and that taxi hit Daisy, and her leg was crushed."

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ldoHL6A-Z-E>