Grammar Second, third and mixed conditionals

1 Match the sentences (1–8) with the type of conditional (a–d).

1 If he'd spoken to an advisor, he could have invested his money in a safer industry.

2 We wouldn't have such good results if we didn't take some risks.

3 If the shareholders hadn't agreed to their proposals, the company wouldn't be as successful.

4 If it weren't so difficult to raise funds, we'd have opened another branch by now.

5 Their shareholders would have been upset if they'd made further losses.

6 He might have his own business now if he'd taken a few more risks.

7 She wouldn't have been promoted if she wasn't such a great team leader.

8 If you attended the meetings you might understand the issues.

a Second conditional ___, ___

b Third conditional ___, ___

c Mixed conditional (present consequence of past action) ___, ___

d Mixed conditional (past consequence of present situation) ___, ___

2 Choose the correct option to complete the sentences. Use the meaning as a guide.

1 There wouldn't ___ a financial crisis if the banks had cooperated.

a have be **b** had been **c** have been

2 If he ___ some risks, he wouldn't own such a unique company.

a has taken **b** hadn't taken **c** would take

3 You could have gone to university if you ___ your exams.

a had passed **b** would have passed **c** have had past

4 If you listened to his advice, you ___ something.

a would have learned **b** might learn **c** had learned

5 We wouldn't ___ scientists if we weren't keen on experiments.

a have become **b** had become **c** became

6 If they ___ more research, they wouldn't have lost all their savings.

a could do **b** might have done **c** had done

3 Cross out the mistake in each sentence and write the correction.

1 He would have won the Economics prize if he wasn't so good at statistics.
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2 If we hadn't employed the right people, we weren't where we are today.
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3 If house prices didn't crash, there wouldn't be a financial crisis. _____

4 We could only take on more risk if we would be promised higher returns.
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5 If your organisation hadn't become so popular on social media, it doesn't have had such a positive impact. _____

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