THIRD CONDITIONAL



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1 Presentation

Study the table below.

Structure	Examples and use
If I had (+ past participle) ..., *I would have (+ past participle) ...* Instead of **would**, we can use **could** or **might**.	Last night it was dry, so I went out. **If it had rained** last night, **I would have stayed** at home. *We use the **third conditional** when we talk about an imaginary or hypothetical situation **in the past**. In the above example, the real situation was that it did not rain.* **If I had known** that he was there, **I wouldn't have come**. **I would have said** hello **if I had seen** you. **If he hadn't been** so tired, **he could have finished** the race.

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Things to remember

- We do not use **would** in the **if**-part of the sentence:

  If it ~~would have rained~~ had rained last night, I would have stayed at home.

- The **if**-part of the sentence can go at the beginning or at the end:

  If it had rained, I would have stayed at home. I would have stayed at home **if it had rained**.

- We can say **'d** instead of **would** or **had**:

  If it had rained, I**'d have stayed** at home.

  I would have said hello, if I**'d seen** you.

- We normally say **'d had** instead of **had had**:

  If I ~~had had~~ **'d had** time, I would have sent you an email.

- The **third conditional** always refers to the past. The **second conditional** refers to the present or future:

  If it had rained last night, I would have stayed at home. *(It didn't rain last night - past)*

  If it was raining now, I would stay at home. *(It isn't raining now - present)*

2 Practice 1

Complete the sentences below.

1. Simon woke up late and was 30 minutes late for work. If he _____ (wake up) early, he _____ (not/be) late for work.
2. I stayed at home yesterday because of the rain. If it _____ (not/rain), I _____ (go out).
3. The tennis player didn't train at all, but he still won the match. If he _____ (not/be) so talented, he _____ (not/win).
4. I was almost ready to start looking for another job, but then my boss gave me a promotion. If he _____ (not/give) me a promotion, I _____ (look) for another job.
5. James won the lottery, so he didn't need to work anymore. He _____ (not/quit) his job if he _____ (not/win) the lottery.
6. Debbie was at the party, but I don't think she saw me. If she _____ (see) me, she _____ (say) hello.
7. I thought the meeting was at 9 am, not 8 am. I _____ (not/be) late if I _____ (know) what time it started.
8. Mike failed his exams. If he _____ (study) harder, he _____ (pass) them.

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3 Practice 2

Yesterday, Nick had a lot of problems. Read each problem and write a third conditional sentence using the ideas below.

change the oil	cook his lunch properly	do some shopping
have an umbrella	~~pay his internet bill~~	use a calendar

1. He was not able to use the internet.
   If he had paid his internet Bill, he would have been able to use the internet.
2. He forgot his best friend's birthday.
   If he .....
3. His car broke down.
   His car .....
4. He ran out of coffee.
   If he .....
5. He was soaking wet.
   If he .....
6. He got food poisoning in the evening.
   If he .....

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