6.5 GRAMMAR

Third Conditional

SHOW WHAT YOU KNOW

1 Complete the beginnings of the sentences with the Past Perfect form of the verbs in brackets. Then match them to the endings.

Jack and I *hadn't met* (not/meet), (e)
1 Chiara _____ (break) her arm once, ( )
2 Alice _____ (forget) to get changed, ( )
3 Ken _____ (lose/touch) with Amy, ( )
4 Emma _____ (not/study) meteorology, ( )

a so she arrived at school in her slippers.
b so she didn't know a lot about the weather.
c so he was surprised when she called.
d so she knew how much it hurt.
e so I didn't recognise him.

2 ★ Choose the correct answers.

1 If Jack and I had met, I would've recognised him.
real past event: We *met / didn't meet*.
real past result: I *recognised / didn't recognise* him.

2 Chiara wouldn't have known how much it hurts when you break your arm if she hadn't done it once.
real past event: Chiara *broke / didn't break* her arm once.
real past result: She *knew / didn't know* how much it hurt.

3 If Alice hadn't forgotten to get changed, she wouldn't have arrived at school in her slippers.
real past event: Alice *forgot / didn't forget* to get changed.
real past result: She *arrived / didn't arrive* at school in her slippers.

4 Ken wouldn't have been surprised when Amy called if he hadn't lost touch with her.
real past event: Ken *lost touch / didn't lose touch* with Amy.
real past result: He *was / wasn't surprised* when she called.

5 Emma would have known a lot about the weather if she had studied meteorology.
real past event: Emma *studied / didn't study* meteorology.
real past result: She *knew / didn't know* a lot about the weather.

6 If I had felt an earthquake before, I wouldn't have been so terrified when it struck.
real past event: I *had felt / hadn't felt* an earthquake before.
real past result: I *was / wasn't* terrified when it struck.

3 ★★ Complete the dialogue with the correct form of the verbs in brackets. Use short forms.

At the summer house …
A: What a long journey. Open the door, Dan.
D: You've got the keys.
A: What? I texted you to say bring the spare ones.
D: What? If you *'d texted* (text) me, my phone [1] _____ (go beep).
A: Well, I definitely texted you. You [2] _____ (see) the message if you [3] _____ (look) at your phone. I've lost my keys.
D: But … why didn't you say something before we left? Anne, we are 200 kilometres from home!
A: We'll have to break a window.
Later in the hospital …
D: Ouch!!!
N: Sorry, Mr Finch but I have to clean the cut.
A: I'm sorry, Dan.
D: It's not your fault, Anne.
A: But if I [4] _____ (not/lose) the keys, you [5] _____ (not/cut) your hand and we wouldn't be here in the hospital.

4 ★★★ Complete the dialogues using the Third Conditional. Use short forms.

A: I was in a bad mood last night. I shouted at Sally and we had an argument.
B: (stay calm / not fall out)
Oh dear. If *you'd stayed calm, you wouldn't have fallen out.*

1 **A:** Phew, I really thought I'd left my passport at home.
B: (miss the flight / you forget it)
We _____.

2 **A:** Chris fell off his bike yesterday. The bruise on his forehead was huge.
B: (not hurt himself / have his helmet on)
It's his own fault, Louis. He _____.

3 **A:** That food was so spicy.
B: (not be so spicy / not use so much chilli sauce)
It _____.

SHOW WHAT YOU'VE LEARNT

5 Complete the sentences using the prompts in brackets. Do not change the order of the words. Change the forms and add new words if necessary. Use no more than six words.

Our opponents wouldn't have won *if you had scored a/ that goal* (you / score / goal).
1 _____ (you / leg / not / be / cold) if you had worn long trousers last night.
2 If the clothes in the sales had been cheaper, _____ (I / spend / much / money).
3 Ben wouldn't have spoken to me again _____ (I / remember / his birthday).
4 Last year our _____ (electric / bill / be / small) if we'd bought low-energy light bulbs.
5 Daisy wouldn't have burnt herself yesterday _____ (she / use / glove / kitchen).
6 _____ (you / buy a ticket / early), we wouldn't have missed the train.

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