

THIRD CONDITIONAL

The Third Conditional is used to talk about imaginary situations in the past. You can describe what you would have done differently or how something could have happened differently if circumstances had been different.

Example:

- If the athlete **had had** a proper diet, he **would have performed** better. (But the diet was poor and the athlete did not perform well.)
- She **would have been** very frustrated if she **had failed** the test. (But she...?)

a) Using the words in brackets, complete the text below with the appropriate conditional form:

1. If I (train)had trained..... with a different team, I (become)would have become..... a champion. But, unfortunately, I didn't.
2. He would have been here earlier if he (miss, not)hadn't missed the train.....the train.
3. She used old equipment and it malfunctioned. If she (use)had used..... new stuff, she (not lose)wouldn't have lost..... the race.
4. I'm sorry, I didn't know you were allergic to chocolate. If I (know)had known....., I (not give)wouldn't have given..... you the chocolate bar.

b) Complete the following conditional sentences:

1. I'll be very happy when...
2. I'll be very happy if...
3. I'd be very happy if...*
4. I would have been very happy if...
5. He'll get over the injury if he...
6. If he hadn't eaten so much...
7. You'll improve your performance if you..
8. Training would be easy if...
9. They would have won a gold medal at the Olympics if they ...

MIXED CONDITIONAL

Sometimes we make sentences which mix **second** and **third conditionals**, especially when a past event has an effect in the present. Examples:

- If I **had taken** French in high school, I **would have** more job opportunities.
But I didn't take French in high school and I don't have many job opportunities (now).

If I had won (win) the lottery, I **would be** rich.

If she **had been born** _____ (**be born**) in the United States, she **wouldn't need** a visa to work here.

- If she **had signed** _____ (**sign**) up for the ski trip last week, she **would be joining** us tomorrow.
If Mark **had got (gotten)** _____ (**get**) the job instead of Joe, he **would be moving** to Shanghai.
- If Darren **hadn't wasted** _____ (**not waste**) his Christmas bonus gambling in Las Vegas, he **would go** to Mexico with us next month.
- If I **were** _____ (**be**) rich, I **would have bought** that Ferrari we saw yesterday.
- If Sam **spoke** _____ (**speak**) Russian, he **would have translated** the letter for you. .
- If I **didn't have** _____ (**not have to**) to work so much, I **would have gone** to the party last night.