

### 3rd Conditional: Exercises

#### 1. Read each sentence. Write T (True) or F (False) for the statement that follows.

- a) If I had had time, I would have watched *It's a Wonderful Life*.  
... I didn't have time to watch *It's a Wonderful Life*.
- b) I would have recorded the film if my DVD hadn't broken.  
... I recorded the film.
- c) If Clarence hadn't been there, George would not have been so happy.  
... Clarence was there.
- d) Andrew wouldn't have met Mary if he hadn't gone to his brother's party.  
... Andrew didn't go to the party.
- e) Simon would have been happier if he had become an architect.  
... Simon became an architect.
- f) The film wouldn't have been so good if James Stewart hadn't played the part of Georg Bailey.  
... James Stewart played the part of George Bailey.

#### 2. George is thinking about the past. Complete his thoughts with the correct form of the words in the brackets.

- a) I didn't go into business with my friend Pete. If I **had gone** into business with him, I **would have become** a success.
- b) I couldn't go into the army because I was deaf in one ear. I ..... (go) into the army if I ..... (not lose) my hearing in that ear.
- c) Mary and I weren't able to go on honeymoon. We ..... (can / go) away if my father ..... (not become) ill.
- d) Clarence showed me how the world would look like without me. I ..... (not know) that I was so important if Clarence ..... (not show) me.
- e) My old boss once made a terrible mistake. If I ..... (not help) him, he ..... (can / go) to prison.

#### 3. Complete the sentences for each situation.

- a) Charlotte didn't leave early, and so she missed the bus.  
If Charlotte ....., she ..... the bus.
- b) I didn't buy more milk, so I didn't have enough for breakfast.  
If I ....., I ..... enough for breakfast.

- c) We forgot to take a map, so we got lost in the mountains.

If we ..... , we .....  
in the mountains.

- d) I didn't go to bed early, so I didn't wake up at 7.00.

If I ..... early, I .....  
at 7.00.

- e) Mike didn't make a shopping list, and he forgot to buy some coffee.

If Mike ..... , he .....  
some coffee.

- f) I didn't realize you were tired when I asked you to go for a walk.

If I ..... , I .....  
for a walk.

- g) The Romans didn't sail across the Atlantic, so they didn't reach America.

If the Romans ..... , they .....  
America.

- h) I didn't turn left at the station, and I lost my way.

If I ..... , I .....  
my way.

#### 4. Write the sentences with the correct verb forms.

- a) If I (know) you were coming, I (invite) some friends in.

*If I had known you were coming, I would have invited some friends in.*

- b) We (get) better tickets if we (book) earlier.

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- c) He (go) to university if his father (not be) ill.

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- d) If you (say) you weren't hungry, I (not cook) such a big meal.

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- e) The team (win) if Jones (play) better.

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- f) If they (not cut) off the electricity, I (finish) my work.

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- g) If Bell (not invent) the telephone, somebody else (do) it.

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- h) If you (not spend) so much time putting your make-up on, we (not be) late.

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- i) The burglars (not get) in if you (remember) to lock the door.  
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- j) If he (not be) a film star, he (not become) President.  
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- k) If she (have) more sense, she (sell) her car years ago.  
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- l) If he (not spend) so much on his holiday, he (have) enough to pay for the house repairs.  
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- m) You (not catch) cold if you (take) your coat.  
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- n) You (win) if you (run) a bit faster.  
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- o) It (be) better if you (ask) me for help.  
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- p) 'If Cleopatra's nose (be) shorter, the whole history of the world (be) different.'  
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**5. Translate the following sentences.**

- a) Wir hätten Ihnen gerne geholfen, wenn wir nicht in den Ferien gewesen wären.  
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- b) Wenn Paul seine Schwester nicht dabei gehabt hätte, wäre es ein langweiliger Abend geworden.  
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- c) Ich hätte es auch nicht geglaubt, wenn ich nicht das Foto gesehen hätte.  
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- d) Ich hätte das Auto selbst reparieren können, wenn ich die richtigen Werkzeuge gehabt hätte.  
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- e) Wenn Leo nicht so faul gewesen wäre, hätte er die Prüfung bestanden.  
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- f) Es wäre besser gewesen, wenn du den Arzt gefragt hättest.  
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