



Teacher's guide

Third Conditionals - Intermediate (B1-B2)

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What are third conditionals?

Students read what third conditionals are. Elicit a few personalised examples from students and be prepared to give explanations to students who are confused at this point.

Exercise 1

Students complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs.

Answer key:

1. had drunk / wouldn't have been
2. wouldn't have caught / had listened to
3. had slept / would have felt
4. wouldn't have caught / had worn
5. had avoided / would have felt
6. would have avoided / had stretched
7. had rested / would have noticed
8. would have got / had followed

Exercise 2

Students read the situations and write third conditional sentences.

Suggested answers (will vary):

1. If she had drunk enough water, she wouldn't have had a headache.
2. If he had slept well, he wouldn't have been tired all day.
3. If they had checked the expiry date, they wouldn't have got food poisoning.
4. If he had exercised last year, he wouldn't have gained weight.
5. If she had taken her coat, she wouldn't have got a cold.
6. If I had set an alarm, I wouldn't have missed my yoga class.

Exercise 3

Part 1. Students read the text.

Part 2. Students choose the correct answer.

Answer key:

1. b
2. c
3. b
4. c

Part 3. Students complete the sentences using the third conditional and information from the text.

1. had listened to / would have felt

2. had eaten / would have had
3. had taken / would have stayed
4. had rested / would have performed

Speaking

Students think of a time when they were unwell or made a poor health decision and use the third conditional to describe how things could have been different. Model an example sentence if students are struggling.

Students then discuss the questions. Use these questions to reinforce fluency and repetition. Listen for correct structure use and give delayed correction.