

Grammar Practice - Conditionals

Second Conditional: Refers to an imaginary situation in the present or future.

- If + past, would + present.

Third Conditional: Refers to an imaginary situation in the past.

- If + had + past participle, would + have + past participle.

Mixed Conditional: Refers to an imaginary situation and its probable effect on the present or vice versa.

Task 1: *What is the real situation?*

Read the sentences. What kind of conditional are they? Fill in the blanks to describe the real situations and results. The first one is completed for you as an example.

1. If I were on a spaceship traveling to Mars, I would be worried that I might never come back.
 - a. Type of conditional: Second Conditional
 - b. I am not on a spaceship traveling to Mars, so I'm not worried that I might never come back.
2. If some of the engineers had been men, there wouldn't have been such a special working environment.
 - a. Type of conditional: 3rd _____
 - b. None of the engineers were men _____, so women had _____ a special working environment.
3. If I had read Nathalia Holt's book, I would know all the facts about the rocket girls.
 - a. Type of conditional: 2nd _____
 - b. I didn't read _____ Nathalia Holt's book, so I don't know _____ all the facts about the rocket girls.
4. If I were better at mathematics, I would have studied physics in college.
 - a. Type of conditional: 2nd
 - b. I am not _____ at mathematics, so I didn't study _____ physics in college.

Task 2: *Make the Conditional*

For conditional sentences using the information in the sentences.

1. We live a long way from the city, so we don't see our friends very often.
 - a. If we live close from the city _____, we would see our friends very often _____.
2. I really didn't understand the movie, so I walked out before the end.
 - a. If I had understood the movie _____, I wouldn't walked out before the end _____.
3. I'm not used to the cold weather, so I had to put on an extra sweater.
 - a. If I had used the cold weather _____, I wouldn't have to put on an extra sweater _____.
4. Taking a vacation is expensive because we have three children.
 - a. If I hadnt _____,
5. She did well on her law exams. Now she's working for a top legal firm.
 - a. If _____,
6. I didn't call you back because I was waiting for another call.

a. If _____,