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| **Lesson Title:** Conditional Tense | | **Theme:** Grammar | |
| **Practice Activity:** PHL-09-109 | | **Class:** JSS 3 | |
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| **Learning Outcomes**  By the end of the lesson, you will be able to:  1. Use the conditional tense to explain an unlikely event in the past.  2. Use the conditional tense to refer to habitual actions. | | | |

**Overview**

The **conditional tense** states that for something to happen and be true, another thing must also happen and be true. One way you have learned to form the conditional tense is by using **‘if + present tense + present tense’**. We use this to talk about general truths and regular actions. For example, ‘If you boil water, it is safe to drink.’ With this conditional, you can usually replace ‘if’ for ‘when’. For example, ‘When glass falls to the ground, it breaks.’

We can also use the conditional tense to explain an unlikely event in the past. We use **‘if + past perfect + conditional perfect (would have + past participle)’**. For example, ‘If the team had lost, the coach would have quit.’ From the first sentence, we know the team did not lose, so the coach did not quit.

**Practice**

**Activity 1**

Fill in the blank spaces with the correct conditional tenses to complete the sentences.

Example: I \_\_\_\_\_ (buy) a present if I had known it was your birthday.

I **would have bought** you a present if I had known it was your birthday.

1. If you had worked hard, you \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (pass) the exam.
2. If they had taken him to the hospital earlier, he \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (live).
3. I (send) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ you the document, if you had given me your email address.
4. He \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (not/miss) the bus, if he had woken up earlier.
5. If I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (know) you were coming, I would have prepared a delicious meal.
6. If the weather had been better last weekend, we \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (go) to the beach.
7. If you \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (come) to the meeting yesterday, you would have met Jane.
8. She \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (stay) in London if she gets a job.
9. I\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (buy) a new dress if I have enough money.
10. She \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (cook) dinner if you had gone to the supermarket.

**Activity 2**

Fill the blank spaces with the correct tenses to complete the sentences. There may be more than one correct answer for some sentences.

Example: If I \_\_\_\_\_\_ (be) you, I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (get) a new job.

If I **were** you, I **would get** a new job.

1. If he \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (be) younger, he \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (travel) more.
2. If we \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (not/ be) friends, I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (be) angry with you.
3. If I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (save) enough money, I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (buy) a house.
4. If she \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (not/ be) always so late, she \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (be) promoted.
5. If we \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (win) the lottery we \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (travel) all over the world.
6. If I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (speak) perfect English, I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (have) a good job.
7. If we \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (live) in Mexico, I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (speak) Spanish.
8. If she \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (pass) the exam, she \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (be) able to enter university.
9. They \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (have) more money if they \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (not/ buy) so many clothes.
10. You \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (lose) weight if you \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (eat) less.

**Activity 3**

Write five of your own sentences using ‘if + past perfect + conditional perfect (would have + past participle)’.

Example: If she had left home on time she would not have arrived late to school.

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**Activity 1**

1. If you had worked hard, you **would have passed** the exam.
2. If they had taken him to the hospital earlier, he **would have lived.**
3. I **would have sent** you the document, if you had given me your email address.
4. He **wouldn’t have missed** the bus, if he had woken up earlier.
5. If I **had known** you were coming, I would have prepared a delicious meal.
6. If the weather had been better last weekend, we **would have gone** to the beach.
7. If you **had come** to the meeting yesterday, you would have met Jane.
8. She **will stay** in London if she gets a job.
9. I **will buy** a new dress if I have enough money.
10. She **would have cooked** dinner if you had gone to the supermarket.

**Activity 2**

Some sentences have more than one correct answer. Example answers:

1. If he **were** younger, he **would travel** more.
2. If we **were not** friends, I **would be** angry with you.
3. If I **had** **saved** enough money, I **would have bought** a house.
4. If she **were not** always so late, she **would be** promoted.
5. If we **win** the lottery, we **will travel** all over the world.
6. If I **spoke** perfect English, I **would have** a good job.
7. If we **lived** in Mexico, I **would speak** Spanish.
8. If she **passed** the exam, she **would be** able to enter university.
9. They **would have** more money if they **did not buy** so many clothes.
10. You **would have lost** weight if you **had eaten** less.

**Activity 3**

Example sentences:

1. If we had arrived earlier, we would have seen John.
2. If they had gone to bed early, they would not have woken up late.
3. If she had gone to art school, she would have become a painter.
4. He would have been happier if he had stayed at home.
5. I would have called you if I had not forgotten my phone.