Third Conditional — Worksheet

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Choose the correct option (a–d) for each gap or question. Check yourself with the answer key on the last page.

1. We missed the start of the concert. If we _____ the earlier train, we would have been on time.
   a) caught b) would have caught c) had caught d) have caught
2. If she had set an alarm, she _____ on time for her interview yesterday.
   a) would be b) would have been c) would had been d) had been
3. If you had told me about the problem, I _____ it straight away.
   a) would fixed b) would have fix c) would have fixed d) would had fixed
4. We would have won the match if our goalkeeper hadn't _____ his ankle.
   a) broken b) broke c) break d) breaking
5. If I had known it was your birthday, I would have _____ you a present.
   a) buy b) buyed c) buying d) bought
6. If it _____ so much last weekend, we would have gone camping.
   a) didn't rain b) wouldn't have rained c) hadn't rained d) hasn't rained
7. If I had checked the address, I _____ to the wrong office yesterday.
   a) wouldn't go b) hadn't gone c) wouldn't have went d) wouldn't have gone
8. What _____ you _____ if the taxi hadn't arrived yesterday?
   a) would … have done b) would … do c) will … do d) had … done
9. _____ you _____ the job if they had offered it to you last year?
   a) Would … take b) Will … take c) Would … have taken d) Had … taken
10. If you'd _____ me, I'd have lent you my car.
    a) ask b) asked c) have asked d) asking
11. I didn't know you were ill. If I _____, I would have visited you.
    a) knew b) have known c) would know d) had known
12. I failed my history exam yesterday. If I _____ harder for it, I would have passed.
    a) studied b) would have studied c) had studied d) had study
13. If I had brought my laptop, I _____ have finished the report on the train.
    a) can b) will c) must d) could
14. If the weather had been better, we might have _____ to the beach.
    a) went b) go c) gone d) going
15. We got stuck in traffic. If we _____ another road, we would have arrived on time.
    a) had taken b) took c) would take d) have taken

16. I fell asleep in class. If I _____ to bed so late last night, I wouldn't have been so tired.
a) didn't go b) hadn't gone c) wouldn't have gone d) haven't gone

17. If my alarm had gone off this morning, I'd _____ up on time.
a) have woken b) woken c) woke d) wake

18. Who _____ last Monday's meeting if Anna hadn't been there?
a) would lead b) would have led c) will lead d) had led

19. Our team _____ the final last Sunday if Sam hadn't scored that goal.
a) wouldn't win b) won't have won c) didn't win d) wouldn't have won

20. If the bakery had been open, I _____ some bread on the way home last night.
a) could buy b) could have bought c) can buy d) could bought

21. I don't own a car, but if I _____ one, I would drive you to the airport tomorrow.
a) had b) had had c) have d) would have

22. If she _____ more careful at the party last night, she _____ her phone.
a) was … wouldn't lose b) had been … wouldn't have lost c) had been … wouldn't lose d) was … wouldn't have lost

23. If you _____ now, you will catch the last bus.
a) left b) had left c) leave d) will leave

24. Bad luck — your train has just gone. If you _____ home five minutes earlier, you would have caught it.
a) left b) leave c) would leave d) had left

25. If he _____ here now, he'd help us, and if he _____ here last month, he'd have helped then.
a) were … had been b) had been … had been c) were … were d) is … had been

26. Which sentence is correct?
a) If I would have known you were at home yesterday, I would have called.
b) If I had known you were at home yesterday, I would have called.
c) If I knew you were at home yesterday, I would have called.
d) If I had known you were at home yesterday, I would called.

27. Which sentence is correct?
a) If you had asked me last week, I would of helped you.
b) If you had asked me last week, I would have help you.
c) If you had asked me last week, I will have helped you.
d) If you had asked me last week, I would have helped you.

28. Which sentence is correct?
a) If she'd taken a taxi, she'd have arrived on time.
b) If she'd have taken a taxi, she'd arrived on time.
c) If she'd taken a taxi, she'd arrived on time.
d) If she'd take a taxi, she'd have arrived on time.

29. Which sentence is correct?
a) If I had more time last week, I would have finished the book.
b) If I had had more time last week, I would have finish the book.
c) If I had had more time last week, I would have finished the book.
d) If I have had more time last week, I would have finished the book.

30. Which sentence is correct?
a) We couldn't have done it if you hadn't helped us.
b) We couldn't have done it if you wouldn't have helped us.
c) We couldn't had done it if you hadn't helped us.
d) We can't have done it if you hadn't helped us.

Answer Key

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1. c) had caught
We missed the start, so this is an imaginary past: the if-clause takes…

2. b) would have been
The result of an imaginary past is would have + past participle: would…

3. c) would have fixed
The result clause takes would have + past participle: would have fixed.

4. a) broken
After had or hadn't comes the past participle: break – broke – broken.

5. d) bought
After would have comes the past participle: buy – bought – bought.

6. c) hadn't rained
A negative if-clause in the third conditional takes hadn't +…

7. d) wouldn't have gone
The negative result is wouldn't have + participle: wouldn't have gone.

8. a) would … have done
In a question would comes before the subject and have + participle…

9. c) Would … have taken
A yes/no question in the third conditional starts with Would: Would you…

10. b) asked
After if, 'd stands for had, so it needs the participle: If you'd (=…

11. d) had known
I didn't know puts the knowing in the past, so the if-clause takes the…

12. c) had studied
A regret about a past event — I didn't study enough: If I had studied…

13. d) could
Could have + participle means it would have been possible: I could have…

14. c) gone
Might have + past participle means perhaps it would have happened:…

15. a) had taken
We got stuck, so taking another road is an imaginary past: If we had…

16. b) hadn't gone
I did go to bed late; the third conditional imagines the opposite: If I…

17. a) have woken
In the result clause 'd stands for would, so it needs have +…

18. b) would have led
Last Monday's meeting is in the past, so the question asks about an…

19. d) wouldn't have won
Sam did score and the team won; the third conditional imagines the…

20. b) could have bought
Could have + participle means it would have been possible: could have…

21. a) had
I don't own a car and tomorrow make this an imaginary present and…

22. b) had been … wouldn't have lost
Last night puts both halves in the past, so the third conditional: If…

23. c) leave
Now and will show a real possibility, so the first conditional: If you…

24. d) had left
The train has gone, so catching it is an imaginary past: If you had…

25. a) were … had been
Now takes the second conditional, were (was is also used); last month…

26. b) If I had known you were at home yesterday, I would have called.
The if-clause takes the past perfect: If I had known.

27. d) If you had asked me last week, I would have helped you.
The result clause is would have + past participle: would have helped.

28. a) If she'd taken a taxi, she'd have arrived on time.
After if, 'd = had; before have, it = would: If she'd taken a taxi,…

29. c) If I had had more time last week, I would have finished the book.
Last week needs the third conditional, and the past perfect of have is…

30. a) We couldn't have done it if you hadn't helped us.
Couldn't have + participle in the result, hadn't + participle after if.