



Third Conditional Grammar Worksheet

Third conditional sentences describe alternate results of past events. The third conditional has a unique grammar pattern. This grammatical structure can be a little harder to use than the grammar of zero, first, and second conditionals. Here is the grammar formula for third conditional statements:

THIRD CONDITIONAL GRAMMAR PATTERN:

If + past perfect, (optional **then**) + would + present perfect

Now, here are a few example sentences:

If I had gotten my flu shot, I would not have gotten the flu.

If I had not gotten the flu, my son would not have caught the flu from me.

If my son and I had not gotten the flu together, we would have gone camping last weekend.

If my son and I had gone camping last weekend, that would have been more fun.

Study the formula and examples carefully. Then do the activities below.

Activity 1:

Finish the third conditional statements below with "then" clauses. Follow the grammar formula for past tense second conditional. Be creative!

1) If computers had never been invented,

2) If nobody lived in North America,

3) If I never watched any TV,

4) If he hadn't forgotten to tie his shoes,

5) If they had remembered to feed their cat before they left the house,

6) If the temperature outside was 50 Centigrade right now,

Activity 2:

Complete the following third conditional sentences with "if" clauses. Again, follow the grammar pattern. Other than that, have fun!

1)

I would have cried.

2)

nobody would have watched the last Winter Olympics.

3)

people would be able to live forever.

4)

she would have had to eat something else.

5)

then it would have smelled terrible.

6)

then the car would not have started.

Activity 3:

Write 6 third conditional sentences of your own. Follow the grammar pattern and be really creative!