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The third conditional

Grammar worksheet · Gramática en inglés americano: el third conditional (if con past perfect y would have)

Remember!

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Question	What would you have done	if you had missed the plane?
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2. If I _____ (know) about the sale, I _____ (buy) the sneakers.
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2 Write a third conditional sentence about each situation. Start with If.

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   → _____

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Last year, if I hadn't _____ ,

If I had known _____ ,

I would have _____ if

_____

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The third conditional · Answer key

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Respuesta libre. Ejemplo: If I had been born in another country, I would have learned another language first. Last year, if I hadn't broken my arm, I would have played in the final. If I had known how much I like the guitar, I would have started earlier. I would have gone to the concert if the tickets had been cheaper.