

Third conditional

Third conditional is a grammatical structure used in English to talk about hypothetical or unreal situations in the past. It is used to express a condition that, if it had been different in the past, would have resulted in a different outcome. Third conditional sentences typically consist of two parts: the "if" clause (the unreal condition) and the main clause (the result or consequence).

The structure of a third conditional sentence is as follows:

If + past perfect verb (conditional clause), would have + past participle (main clause)

Here are some examples of third conditional sentences:

1. If I had known about the meeting, I would have attended.
 - Unreal condition (past): Not knowing about the meeting.
 - Unreal result (past): Not attending the meeting.
2. If they had studied harder, they would have passed the exam.
 - Unreal condition (past): Not studying harder.
 - Unreal result (past): Not passing the exam.
3. If it hadn't rained, we would have gone to the beach.
 - Unreal condition (past): Raining.
 - Unreal result (past): Not going to the beach.
4. If she had won the race, she would have received a trophy.
 - Unreal condition (past): Not winning the race.
 - Unreal result (past): Not receiving a trophy.

Summary Chart:

Structure	Example
If + past perfect, would have + past participle	If I had known about the meeting, I would have attended.
If + past perfect, would have + past participle	If they had studied harder, they would have passed the exam.
If + past perfect, would have + past participle	If it hadn't rained, we would have gone to the beach.
If + past perfect, would have + past participle	If she had won the race, she would have received a trophy.