Grammar videos: Third conditional – exercises

1. Check your understanding: matching
Match the two sentence halves and write a–g next to the numbers 1–7.

1. I wouldn't have overslept if you'd asked.
2. If she had gone to bed earlier, you wouldn't have been so stressed at the last minute.
3. I could have lent you the money she wouldn't have been so tired.
4. They wouldn't have found out if you had studied medicine.
5. You could have been a doctor if my alarm clock had gone off.
6. If you'd been more organised, they wouldn't have had so many problems.
7. If they’d taken my advice, if you hadn't told them.

2. Check your grammar: word 2 word
Write the words in the correct order to make sentences.

1. have            told me.          would          if          remembered          I          you’d

2. would          had          have          revised more,          passed the exam.          she          If she

3. the train          If we          have          hadn’t missed          we would          arrived on time.

4. If          been there          have          met him.          you’d          could          you
5. I If could have I’d known helped.

6. if could have gone wanted to. You you’d

3. Check your grammar: gap fill
Complete the sentences using the third conditional.

1. He didn't get the job. He couldn't buy a bigger flat.
   = If he'd got the job, ________________ a bigger flat.

2. You didn't say you were sorry. She left.
   = She wouldn't have left if ________________ you were sorry.

3. You didn't tell us earlier. We didn't do anything.
   = We could have done something ________________ us earlier.

4. You stopped quickly. We didn't crash.
   = If you hadn't stopped quickly, ________________ crashed.

5. You didn't listen to me. This happened.
   = This never would have happened if you ________________ to me.

6. You didn't apply for the job. You didn't get an interview.
   = You might ________________ if you'd applied for the job.

7. I went to the party. You persuaded me to go.
   = I wouldn't have ________________ me to go.

8. I didn't know she was coming. I didn't wait for her.
   = I would ________________ if I’d known she was coming.

Discussion
If you had been born a boy/girl, how would your life have been different?

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