

Conditionals: Mixed

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To refer to **both past and present** in a conditional sentence, a different tense can be used in each clause. Usually, one clause is Second Conditional and one is Third Conditional.

EXAMPLES

Past Action: I broke my camera. <u>If clause</u> (3 rd Conditional)	Present Result: I can't take any pictures today. <u>Main Clause</u> (2 nd Conditional)
<i>If I hadn't broken my camera, I'd be able to take some pictures today.</i>	
Present Fact: I am sick. <u>If clause</u> (2 nd Conditional)	Past Result: I wasn't able to visit you last week. <u>Main Clause</u> (3 rd Conditional)
<i>If I weren't so sick, I would have visited you last week.</i>	

Substitute a different MODAL verb for the underlined modals in the sentences below.

1. I will (_____) pick you up and drive you to school if you want.
2. If they paid the rent on time, the landlord would (_____) not be upset.
3. John would (_____) have been late if he hadn't taken a taxi.
4. My friends and I will (_____) see a movie tonight if there is something good playing.
5. You would (_____) really like snowboarding if you tried it.
6. The teacher will (_____) give us a quiz on Friday.

Correct the tense errors in the following MIXED CONDITIONAL sentences.

1. If you have not bought such an expensive car, you could afford to take a nice vacation.

2. Joe could have received a promotion if he is not so lazy.

3. If he had taken care of himself when he was younger, he will be healthy today.

4. If I don't have a broken leg, I would have gone skiing yesterday.

5. If they were Canadian, they will have studied French in school.
