

ULI ENGLISH

LESSON TWENTY-THREE

CONDITIONAL SENTENCES (2)

second conditional sentences

If clause (condition): simple past Main clause (result): modal verbs + do

If I were you, I would quit smoking.

If I were the president, I would lower taxes.

They would stay longer if they had more time.

If I had more free time, I would travel around the world.

third conditional sentences

If clause (condition): past perfect Main clause: modal verb+have+p.p

If I had got a gold medal, I would have been happy.

If I had met Susan last week, I would have given her the book.

If the weather had been good, we would have gone out.

If you had got up earlier, you would have caught the earlier train.

Examples of second and third conditional sentences:

If I won the lottery, I would buy a big house.

She would travel all around the world if she were rich.

She would pass exams if she studied.

If you had driven more carefully, you wouldn't have had an accident.

If you had played a little better, you could have won the game.

If you had saved your money, you could have bought a computer.

If it had snowed, we could have gone skying.