The Third Conditional Exercise

THE CONSEQUENCES OF STATES, ACTION OR INACTION

- IF + PAST PERFECT , WOULD HAVE + PAST PARTICIPLE
  If I hadn't had a cold, I would have gone out on Friday

- WOULD HAVE + PAST PARTICIPLE + IF + PAST PERFECT
  I would have gone out on Friday if I hadn't had a cold

A Fill the gap using the verb in brackets. Think very carefully about the meaning of the phrase before deciding whether to use a negative or positive verb form.

1 I wouldn't have been angry if you .... my chocolate mousse. (to eat)

2 If he had known you were in hospital, he .... you. (to visit)

3 We wouldn't have come by taxi if we .... the right bus. (to find)

4 We would have visited the Prado gallery if we .... time. (to have)

5 If you hadn't been asking me questions all the time, I .... the film. (to enjoy)

6 If I .... your number, I would have phoned. (to know)

7 If just one person had remembered my birthday, I .... sad. (to be)

8 I would have understood the film if it .... in German. (to be*)

9 They .... to see you if they hadn't been away. (to come)

10 If she .... on a double yellow line, she wouldn't have got a fine. (to park)

11 If I'd known you were coming, I .... a cake. (to bake)

12 If she .... the shed unlocked, they wouldn't have stolen her bike. (to leave)

13 If you had told me about the concert, I .... (to go)

14 The storm .... a lot of damage if it had come this way. (to do)

15 The holidays would have been great if the weather .... better. (to be)

16 I .... the party if you hadn't behaved so badly. (enjoy)

17 If I .... a smaller car, I would have spent less money on petrol. (to rent)

* If you are a German speaker, then the answer is different

B Now make up some examples of your own.

1 ....

2 ....

3 ....

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Answers

1 I wouldn't be angry if you hadn't eaten my chocolate mousse.
2 If he had known you were in hospital, he would have visited you.
3 We wouldn't have come by taxi if we had found the right bus.
4 We would have visited the Prado gallery if we had had time.
5 If you hadn't been asking me questions all the time, I would have enjoyed the film.
6 If I had known your number, I would have phoned.
7 If just one person had remembered my birthday, I wouldn't be sad.
8 I would have understood the film if it hadn't been in German
9 They would have come to see you if they hadn't been away.
10 If she hadn't parked on a double yellow line, she wouldn't have got a fine.
11 If I'd known you were coming, I'd have baked a cake.
12 If she hadn't left the shed unlocked, they wouldn't have stolen her bike.
13 If you had told me about the concert, I would've gone.
14 The storm would've done a lot of damage if it had come this way.
15 The holiday would've been great if the weather had been better.
16 I would have enjoyed the party if you hadn't behaved so badly.
17 If I had rented a smaller car, I would have spent less money on petrol.

Please remember that the abbreviations are optional.