

Conditional clauses express a condition – something that must happen first so that something else can happen.

Test your understanding of conditional clauses with this grammar exercise.

1. If you had invited her, she
..... with us.

could go

can go

could have gone

2. If I the opportunity, I would
have gone to university.

had

had had

will have

3. If I her number, I would call
her.

know

knew

had known

4. If you take this medication, you
..... well.

- will get
- would get
- would have got

5. If you had sold your home then, you
..... rich now.

- will be
- would be
- would have been

6. If you ate your breakfast, you
..... not be hungry now.

- will
- would
- had

7. If you me, we both would
have been happy.

- marry
- married

had married

8. If you spoke a foreign language, you
..... a better job.

could get

can get

could have got

9. I could marry her if I to.

want

wanted

had wanted

10. If your computer you will
lose unsaved work.

crashes

crashed

had crashed

11. If I am late, my father me to
school.

takes
will take
would take

12. If you behaved more politely, they
..... help you.

may help
might help
might have helped

Answers

1. If you had invited her, she could have gone with us.
2. If I had had the opportunity, I would have gone to university.
3. If I knew her number, I would call her.
4. If you take this medication, you will get well.
5. If you had sold your home then, you would have been rich now.
6. If you ate your breakfast, you would not be hungry now.
7. If you had married me, we both would have been happy.
8. If you spoke a foreign language, you could get a better job.
9. I could marry her if I wanted to.
10. If your computer crashes you will lose unsaved work.
11. If I am late, my father takes me to school.
12. If you behaved more politely, they might help you.