

## Test Your Grammar Skills

### Mixed Conditionals 1

The term **mixed conditional** usually refers to a conditional sentence which has past time in one clause and present or future time in the other clause (see examples below).

a) Cut up the cards, mix them up, then match the sentences; or show one half of a sentence and elicit different ways to complete it. b) Discuss the times used in each sentence:

If I had read <i>Great Expectations</i> last month,	I wouldn't have to do it now.
I could afford to go on holiday next week	if I had put aside a bit of money each month.
I wouldn't have fallen for that practical joke	if I wasn't so gullible.
If we had bought a dishwasher,	we wouldn't be standing here washing up.
If Emily hadn't missed the bus,	she would be sitting here right now.
If Roger were more respectable,	he could have become a local councillor.
If I'd told my boss what I really thought,	I would be looking for a new job.
If the painting was by a famous artist,	it would have sold by now.
I wouldn't be able to wash my hair	if the shampoo had run out, would I?
If Tom hadn't met Mary,	they would both still be single today.
If we'd given up on buying a house,	we wouldn't be going to two viewings later.
If Tilly weren't allergic to dogs,	she could've become a dog breeder.
If I hadn't fallen off my horse,	I would be playing polo next weekend.
If I felt more strongly about your problem,	I would've done more to help.
If everything was fine at home,	I wouldn't have tried to run away.
I would be national champion today	if I'd won the 4000 metres.
If I <i>had</i> got married to Katie,	we would be much happier than we are now.
If I was able to move to Australia,	I would have done so long ago.
If Mark came to lessons more often,	he would've known about the test yesterday.
If I could leave home half an hour earlier,	I wouldn't have been late three times so far.

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