



**If you invented
a time travel
machine,
what would
you do?**

Choose 3- 4 decisions you have made from the list below.

Tell your partners about them and give details (Was it hard? Who helped you, etc?)

Do you have any regrets? Would you like to change something?

- which subjects to study at school/university
- to leave school
- to go to university
- to buy or sell a house/flat
- to get married
- to start or change your career
- to start your own business
- to leave a job
- to take up or give up a hobby/sport
- to retire or give up work

a Read the extracts from the listening and answer the questions.

If I had stayed at work, I wouldn't have spent time with Jack when he really needed me.

- 1 Did Roger stay at work?
- 2 Did he spend time with Jack?

I wouldn't have met Nancy if I hadn't come to France!

- 3 Did Tunde come to France?
- 4 Did he meet Nancy?

Active grammar

We use the Third Conditional to talk about a real/imaginary situation in the present/past.

We make the Third Conditional with ...

if + subject + past perfect + *would(n't) have/could(n't) have* + past participle.

Past condition

Past result (hypothetical)

If I had stayed at work, I wouldn't have spent time with Jack.

or

Past result (hypothetical)

Past condition

I would have cooked dinner if I'd known you were coming.

In spoken English, *have* and *had* are usually contracted to 've and 'd.



**Jim lost his job
last month.**



He didn't buy a house.

**If Jim hadn't lost his job, he would
have bought a new house.**



**She worked out
a lot.**



She got slim.

**If she hadn't worked out a lot,
she wouldn't have got slim.**



**Jessica broke up
with her boyfriend.**



**She didn't travel to
Turkey last summer.**

**If Jessica hadn't broken up with
her boyfriend, she would have
travelled to Turkey last summer.**



**He failed his
exams.**

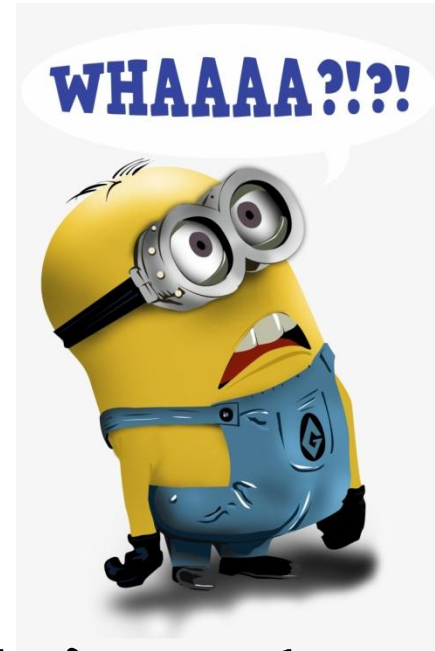


**He didn't get a
degree.**

**If he hadn't failed his exams, he
would have got a degree.**



He didn't do his homework.



He didn't understand the topic.

If he had done his homework, he would have understood the topic.