ANSWER KEY WITH EXPLANATIONS

Mixed Conditionals Quiz: If I Had..., I Would... Now

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Explanations

1. If I had taken that job in Madrid, I ___ in Spain now.
✔ **B) would live**
A past choice with a result now: would + base verb. The word now shows the result is in the present.

2. If Anna ___ her passport, she would be on the plane now.
✔ **D) hadn't lost**
Losing the passport happened in the past, so the if part needs had + past participle.

3. If I weren't afraid of dogs, I ___ your sister's puppy last weekend.
✔ **A) would have stroked**
The fear is a fact about me now; last weekend is past, so the result is would have + past participle.

4. If Leo ___ so lazy, he would have finished the report yesterday.
✔ **C) weren't**
Being lazy is part of who Leo is, then and now, so the if part is in the past simple.

5. If we had bought the bigger house, we ___ enough space for a piano today.
✔ **B) would have**
The buying was in the past; the result is today, so use would + base verb (have).

6. If you ___ to bed so late last night, you wouldn't be tired now.
✔ **A) hadn't gone**
Last night is a past event, so use hadn't + past participle. The result is now.

7. Which sentence is a mixed conditional?
✔ **D) If I had bought a car, I would drive to work now.**
Had bought is a past action and would drive now is a present result: two different times.

8. If my brother ___ allergic to cats, we would have kept the kitten we found.
✔ **B) weren't**
The allergy is a lasting fact, so the if part is past simple (were). The result, keeping the kitten, is past.

9. If I ___ my phone at home, I could call a taxi now.
✔ **C) hadn't left**
Could takes the place of would. The leaving happened earlier, so the if part is hadn't + past participle.

10. If Marco had trained harder, he ___ in the national team now.
✔ **A) might be**
Might means perhaps. Now shows a present result, so use might + base verb.

11. If I were a better cook, I ___ for everyone last Christmas.
✔ **D) would have cooked**
Being a poor cook is a lasting fact; last Christmas is past, so use would have + past participle.

12. Choose the correct sentence.
✔ **B) If she hadn't moved to Canada last year, she would see her parents more often.**
The move was in the past (hadn't moved); seeing her parents is about the present (would see).

13. "If Dan weren't so forgetful, he would have remembered my birthday." When is Dan forgetful?
✔ **C) now and in general**
Weren't so forgetful imagines the opposite of a lasting fact: Dan is forgetful in general, then and now. That is why he forgot.

14. "If I had listened to my dad, I wouldn't be in this mess now." What is true?
✔ **A) I didn't listen, and I'm in a mess now.**
A mixed conditional imagines the opposite of reality: I didn't listen, and the mess is real now.

15. "If Jo spoke Japanese, she would have enjoyed the trip to Tokyo more." What is true?
✔ **B) Jo doesn't speak Japanese, and the trip was less fun.**
Spoke means she doesn't speak it in real life; would have enjoyed means the trip is over.

16. If we hadn't missed the last bus, we ___ at home in bed right now.
✔ **D) would be**
Right now shows the result is in the present: would + base verb.

17. If I had kept up my piano lessons, I ___ this song for you now.
✔ **C) could play**
The lessons stopped in the past; the result is now, so use could + base verb.

18. Second, third or mixed? "If I had more time, I would take up yoga."
✔ **A) second conditional**
Both halves are about now: past simple and would + base verb. This is a second conditional.

19. Second, third or mixed? "If they hadn't cancelled the concert, we would be there now."
✔ **B) mixed (past → present)**
The cancelling was in the past; would be there now is the present result.

20. Choose the correct sentence.
✓ D) If he were more patient, he wouldn’t have shouted at the children yesterday.
Patience is a lasting fact (were); yesterday is past, so the result is wouldn’t have + past participle.

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