Protests

New Internationalist Easier English
Intermediate Ready Lesson
Lesson plan:

Vocabulary
Speaking
Reading
Grammar
Writing
Homework / extension
First, we need **words** – in groups, list as many words/phrases as possible for:

a) **How people can protest**
   eg. hunger strike

b) **How other people can respond to protests**
   eg. force-feeding
Protests in the last year: where/why?
Read/think: who? how? why?

Turkey:
http://eewiki.newint.org/index.php/Photo_story:_Turkey_has_lost_its_fear
http://eewiki.newint.org/index.php/Social_media_in_Turkey

Brazil:

Egypt:
http://eewiki.newint.org/index.php/Egypt:_what_happened_to_democracy,_freedom,_stability%3F

Indonesia:
http://eewiki.newint.org/index.php/Indonesians_won%27t_stop_fighting

UK:
http://eewiki.newint.org/index.php/G8_hunger_summit:_protest_and_praise
Now think about other options:
If they hadn’t protested, no-one would have known.
If they hadn’t gone to the streets, nothing would have changed.
If they hadn’t done anything, the government would have continued.
What’s the grammar?
3rd conditional:

If + past perfect (had/n’t + past participle)

If they hadn’t protested

+ past conditional (would/n’t have + past participle)

no-one would have known.

Is this past, present or future? Past
Did they protest? Yes
Did other people know because of the protests? Yes
Now discuss all the protests and make more 3\textsuperscript{rd} conditional sentences about what happened or what didn’t happen:

Turkey:
Brazil:
Greece:
Indonesia:
UK:
Other protests you know about:
Writing

In small groups, write an article for a college / school newspaper:

“Protests around the world”

Write about:

• different types of protest
• give examples from the articles you read
• include at least 2 3rd conditionals
Homework: read the Easier English texts again – then click on the original at the end of each article and read that: compare vocabulary and grammar:

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