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would rather

	PRESENT/FUTURE	PAST
ταυτοπροσωπία	present bare infinitive	perfect bare infinitive (have+p.participle)
example	I'd rather <u>eat</u> out.	I'd rather <u>have eaten</u> out.
my example		
ετεροπροσωπία	Simple past	Past Perfect
example	I'd rather you <u>stayed</u> here.	I'd rather you <u>had stayed</u> here
my example		

how to express preference

1. prefer +-ing/noun to -ing/noun (tip to remember  scales)
2. prefer + full infinitive + rather than + bare infinitive (tip: first **to** then **to**)
3. the same as above but with would to express specific preference.
4. would rather + bare infinitive + than + bare infinitive. (tip: **no** prefer **no** to)

examples

1. We prefer skating to skiing. I prefer chocolate to vanilla.
2. I prefer to dance till dawn rather than study till dawn.
3. I would prefer to spend Christmas in New York rather than spend it here.
4. I'd rather listen to music than watch a film.

my examples

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

A. Would rather (same/different subjects)

1. It's getting late. I'd rather**go**...(go)
2. I'd rather you(pay) me now.
3. I'd rather we(not go) out to lunch yesterday.
4. They 'd rather(go) on an excursion next Sunday.
5. I'd rather you(wear) the black skirt last Saturday.
6. We'd rather(watch) TV tonight.
7. I'd rather(eat) steak than fish last night.
8. Would you rather I(come) tomorrow?
9. I'd rather you(not buy) so many oranges yesterday.
10. They went to his concert but they 'd rather(stay) at home.

B. (would) prefer – would rather

1. I'd prefer a book to a magazine
I'd ratherread a book than a magazine....
2. I'd rather go skiing than skating.
I'd prefer
3. I'd prefer to visit Venice rather than visit Rome.
I'd rather visit Venice.....
4. We'd rather have a snack rather than have a full meal.
We'd prefer a
5. I'd rather go with you rather than stay at home.
I prefer going
6. I'd rather sleep downstairs than sleep upstairs.
I prefer
7. Do you prefer watching a video to watching the football match ?
Would you rather
8. He'd rather have a birthday party at home than have a night out.
He 'd prefer a
9. I would rather have left things as they were.
It would have been better if
10. The children would rather play video games than finish their homework.
The children would prefer