**CONDITIONAL STATEMENTS**

**What are Conditional Statements?**

In life, we make decisions based on circumstances. Think of an everyday decision as mundane as falling asleep — if we are tired, we go to bed, otherwise, we wake up and start our day.

These if-else decisions can be modeled in code by creating conditional [statements](https://www.codecademy.com/resources/docs/javascript/statements). A [conditional statement](https://www.codecademy.com/resources/docs/javascript/conditionals?page_ref=catalog) checks a specific condition(s) and performs a task based on the condition(s).

In this lesson, we will explore how programs make decisions by evaluating conditions and introduce logic into our code!

We’ll be covering the following concepts:

* if, else if, and else statements
* comparison operators
* logical operators
* truthy vs falsy values
* ternary operators
* [switch](https://www.codecademy.com/resources/docs/javascript/switch) statement

So *if* you’re ready to learn these concepts go to the next lesson— *else*, read over the concepts, observe the diagram, and prepare yourself for this lesson!

Diagram:

