**Lesson 3  : CONDITIONALS**

1. **Zero Conditional (type 0) :**

**Rule:**

-The zero conditional describes situations that are always true: such as a general or scientific truth.

**(If )**has the same meaning as **when** or **whenever**.

**\***We use **the present simple** tense in both the main clauses and the if clause.

**Examples**  **If**  you heat water, it boils. / **If** it rains , I take my umbrella with me.

**2) First Conditional (type 1):**

**Rule:**

-The first conditional sentences are used to speculate about possible situations that can really happen at present or in future.

**\*** We make if clauses with **if + present tense and main clauses with the future (will + stem) .**

**Examples: If** she works hard**,** she will pass the exam.

**If** we catch the 10:15 a.m train, we will arrive on time.

**3) Second Conditional ( type 2):**

**Rule:**

**-** In the second conditional sentences we speculate about situations that will probably never happen (impossible) at present time or in the future.

\* We make if clauses with **if + past tense and main clauses with would + stem .**

\* **Note:** The main difference between the first conditional and the second conditional is about probability: the first conditional is realistic, the second conditional is unrealistic.

**Examples: If** he was rich, he wouldn’t work. **/**  **If** I had more time , I would help you.

**If** I won a million dollars, I would start a business on my own.

**4) Third Conditional (type 3):**

**-** In the third conditional sentence the situation is a regret about an event that had happened in the past.

\* We make if clauses with **if + past perfect** **and main clauses with would + present perfect (have + past participle).**

**Examples: If** I had read the question well, I would have taken a better mark.

**If** we had saved more money, we would have bought the car.

**Activity: Complete these sentences with the right type of Conditional:**

**-**If I have to make a speech I ……………………………….. pretty nervous. **(to be)**

- If I …………………………….. you were sleeping I would not have woken you. (to know)

-If the weather ………………………… fine tomorrow we will be able to get to the beach. (to be)

-If her hair were black she ……………………………… completely different. (to look)

-They …………………………………to the meeting if they had been informed about it. (not to come)

-If the trip hadn’t been so expensive, we ………………………… reservations for a better hotel. (to make)

-If they ………………….……….. for a permission he would have agreed. (to ask)

-I will …………………….……….the money if you pay me back next week. (to give)

-The workers…………………………. the road if they had had enough tools. (to build)

-If it …………………….…………… yesterday we would have gone on a picnic. (not to rain)

-If they locked the door properly nobody ……………….………… into their house. (to break)

-If he …………………………… much time he would go to the university. (not to waste)

- If we………………………. To Dresden, it will be a fantastic trip. (to go)

-I ………………………….the school bus, if idon’t get up early. (to miss)

-You will catch cold, if you …………………… a pullover. (to wear)

-If Marcus sings in the shower, I ……………………..the radio full volume. ( to turn up)

- If you drink more of this sweet lemonade, you …………………… sick. (to be)

- If I don’t see Claire today, I ………………………… her this evening. (to phone)

-Harriet would stay longer in Vienna, if she …………………………more time. (to have)

-If Carlos………………………sailing , he will need a life jacket. (to go)

-I………………………………….to her, if I knew her address. (to know)

-The salad… ……………………… better, if you added some garlic. (to taste)