

Conditional Sentences

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1. What are Conditional Sentences?

Type of sentences that need a condition or a reason to happen.

Reason can be:

- 1) always true – **ZERO CONDITIONAL**
- 2) real and possible to happen - **FIRST CONDITIONAL**
- 3) unreal and unlikely to happen - **SECOND CONDITIONAL**

2. How to form Conditional Sentences?

IF CLAUSE



REASON/CONDITION

MAIN CLAUSE



RESULT

Zero Conditional

always true

Zero Conditional is used to talk about things which are always true-scientific facts, general truths etc....

It is formed:

IF

Simple Present

MAIN

Simple Present

Zero Conditional

always true



If you heat water to 100 C, it boils.

IF Clause

MAIN Clause

Simple Present

Simple Present

If you **mix** green and yellow, you **get** green.

If people **eat** too much, they **get** fat.

If you **touch** a fire, you **get** burned.

People **die** if they **don't eat**.

If babies **are** hungry, they **cry**

Example Sentences



If I am late for class, the teacher will be angry.

Example Sentences



If I don't study, I'll fail the test.

First Conditional

real and possible

First conditional sentences are used to talk about things which **might happen** in the present or future that we believe are **real and possible**.

"If it doesn't rain tomorrow, I will go to the park."

IF Clause

Simple Present

MAIN Clause

Will + infinitive

First Conditional

real and possible

If I have time, I will call you tonight.

IF Clause

MAIN Clause

Simple Present

Will + infinitive (V1

)

- If we save the money, we will take a vacation.
- I will be late for the meeting if I don't get the taxi.
- You will not lose weight if you don't eat less sugar.
- If you study hard, you will pass the exam.

Second Conditional

unreal or impossible

Stress that the second conditional form is used to imagine a different reality. In other words, the second conditional is an "unreal" conditional.

" If I won the lottery, I would buy a big house.

If clause

Main Clause

Past Tense (V2)

Would + V1

Second Conditional

unreal or impossible

If clause

Main Clause

Past Tense (V2) ; to be → **were** , **Would + V1**

- If I met the Queen of England, I **would say hello**.
- She **would travel all over the world** if she were rich.
- If I were you, I **would not go out with that man**.
- I **would call her** if I had her number.

Third Conditional

unreal in the past

We use the Third Conditional to talk about unreal situations in the past and to imagine things that did not happen.

If I hadn't broken my leg, I would have gone hiking.

If clause

Main Clause

Past Perfect

Would have + V3

Third Conditional

unreal in the past

Past Perfect

Would have + V3

- *If you had told me about the meeting, I wouldn't have missed it.*
- *He'd have got the job if he hadn't been so nervous in the interview.*
- *The company would have survived if there hadn't been a recession.*
- *They would have awarded the scholarship if they had studied hard.*
- *If you had not invited me out, I would have stayed in all day.*



Review Quiz

Choose the correct answer to make a first conditional sentence



1

If it rains,

A

I will stay at home.

B

I stays at home.

C

staying at home.

2

If I wake up late,

A

I was late for work.

B

I lates for work.

C

I will be late for work.

3

If you come home late,

A

I am angry.

B

I will be angry.

C

I be angry.

4

If she comes to the party,

A

I'll be surprised.

B

I wasn't surprised.

C

I am surprised.

5

If I don't go to sleep early,

A


I am so tired.

B

I will be tired.

C

I was tired.



GOOD JOB!

