

CONDITIONAL SENTENCES

- **FORM :** IF clause _____ main clause
If you switch off the router, you won't have access to the Internet.



OR

You won't have access to the Internet if you switch off the router.

- **TYPES :**

*GENERAL(ZERO):

*FIRST CONDITIONAL:

*SECOND CONDITIONAL:

*THIRD CONDITIONAL:

***FIRST CONDITIONAL: IF present _____ , will + infinitive**

(‘ll + infinit./modal verb + inf))

It is used:

-To describe **a POSSIBLE future** event and its consequences

*If she **asks** me, I’ll **help** her*

-To give **advice**

*If you **sit** here, you’ll **be** more comfortable*

-To **warn** or **threaten**

*If you’re late again, you **will not be** in the team*

***GENERAL(ZERO): IF present _____ , present**

*If you **run** fast, you **get** tired*

(In this case we could replace IF by WHEN)

IF present _____ , imperative

*If you **go** to England, **visit** London*

***SECOND CONDITIONAL: IF past _____ , would + infinitive('d + infinitive)**

It is used:

-To talk about hypothetical but possible situations

*If she **had** a car, she **would give** you a lift*

-To talk about totally imaginary or impossible situations

*If I ***were** American, I **would live** in New York*

-To give advice

*If I ***were** you, I **would get** a job*

*(*WERE is often used instead of WAS after IF, especially in written English, although WAS often occurs in informal English)*

***THIRD CONDITIONAL: IF had + participle____, would have+partic. ('d have + part.)**

It is used:

-To talk about impossible situations in the past

*If I **had seen** him, I **would have spoken** to him*

- **UNLESS** can replace IF...NOT to add emphasis

*If you do **not** go now, you'll miss the train*

***Unless** you go now, you'll miss the train*