

## CONDITIONALS

Conditionals in English are sentences that describe possible situations and their consequences. They typically consist of two parts:

1. **The "if-clause" (condition)** – states the condition.
2. **The main clause (result)** – states the outcome of the condition.

There are five main types of conditionals:

### 1. Zero Conditional (General Truths & Facts)

- Used for facts, universal truths, or scientific laws.
- Both clauses are in the **present simple**.
- Structure: **If + present simple, present simple**
- Example:
  - *If you heat water to 100°C, it boils.*
  - *If you touch fire, it burns.*

### 2. First Conditional (Real & Possible Future Situations)

- Used for possible future events based on a real condition.
- Structure: **If + present simple, will + base verb**
- Example:
  - *If it rains tomorrow, we will stay indoors.*
  - *If you study hard, you will pass the exam.*

### 3. Second Conditional (Hypothetical & Unreal Situations in the Present/Future)

- Used for imaginary, unlikely, or impossible situations in the present or future.
- Structure: **If + past simple, would + base verb**
- Example:
  - *If I were a millionaire, I would travel the world.*
  - *If she had a car, she would drive to work.*

### 4. Third Conditional (Past Hypotheticals & Regrets)

- Used for situations that didn't happen in the past and their possible outcomes.
- Structure: **If + past perfect, would have + past participle**
- Example:
  - *If you had studied, you would have passed the test.*
  - *If they had left earlier, they wouldn't have missed the train.*

### 5. Mixed Conditionals (Combining Different Time Frames)

- Used when the condition and result refer to different times.

*Past Condition → Present Result*

- Structure: **If + past perfect, would + base verb**
- Example:
  - *If she had studied medicine, she would be a doctor now.*

*Present Condition → Past Result*

- Structure: **If + past simple, would have + past participle**
- Example:
  - *If I were taller, I would have joined the basketball team.*

## EXAMPLES

### **Zero Conditional (General Truths & Facts)**

1. If you put ice in the sun, it melts quickly because of the heat. The higher the temperature, the faster it melts.
  2. If you mix blue and yellow, you get green. This is a basic rule in color theory.
  3. If you don't water plants, they die. Without water, they cannot perform photosynthesis properly.
  4. If you press this button, the machine stops immediately. It's an emergency stop function for safety.
  5. If you don't brush your teeth, they get cavities over time. Bacteria feed on leftover food and damage your enamel.
  6. If metal is exposed to water and oxygen, it rusts. That's why bridges and iron structures need protective coatings.
  7. If you stretch a rubber band too much, it snaps. The material has a limit to how far it can stretch.
  8. If the sun sets, the sky turns dark. This happens because the Earth rotates, changing the amount of sunlight we receive.
  9. If you eat too much junk food, you gain weight. A high intake of sugar and fat leads to health problems.
  10. If you leave milk outside in hot weather, it spoils quickly. Bacteria grow faster in warm temperatures.
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### **First Conditional (Real & Possible Future Situations)**

1. If it rains tomorrow, we will cancel the picnic. Nobody wants to sit in wet grass during lunch!
  2. If you don't finish your homework on time, the teacher will get angry. She expects everyone to be responsible.
  3. If you drink too much coffee, you won't be able to sleep at night. Caffeine stays in your system for hours.
  4. If we leave early, we will reach the airport before the rush hour traffic. That will make the trip much smoother.
  5. If you exercise regularly, you will feel more energetic throughout the day. Your body will get stronger, and your mind will be more focused.
  6. If you don't set an alarm, you will oversleep. Then, you will be late for school!
  7. If she studies hard for the test, she will pass with flying colors. She has all the notes and resources she needs.
  8. If they don't buy the tickets today, the concert will sell out. There are only a few seats left.
  9. If you call me after work, I will help you with your project. I'll be free after 6 PM.
  10. If he doesn't take an umbrella, he will get soaked in the rain. The weather forecast says there will be heavy showers.
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### **Second Conditional (Hypothetical & Unreal Situations in the Present/Future)**

1. If I were the president, I would make education free for everyone. That way, every child would have a chance to succeed.
  2. If she had a time machine, she would travel to the future. She is so curious about what the world will be like in 100 years.
  3. If we lived near the beach, we would go swimming every day. The ocean would be our playground.
  4. If he didn't spend so much time on video games, he would get better grades. His teachers always complain about his lack of focus.
  5. If I could fly, I would travel around the world without buying plane tickets. I would see every country from the sky.
  6. If they spoke French, they would be able to work in Paris. Unfortunately, they don't know the language.
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7. If she won the lottery, she would buy a big house for her family. They have always dreamed of having a beautiful home.
  8. If you worked harder, you would earn more money. Your boss appreciates employees who put in effort.
  9. If he were taller, he would play basketball professionally. His skills are great, but his height is a limitation.
  10. If aliens existed, they would have contacted us by now. Scientists have been searching for signs of life in space for decades.
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### Third Conditional (Past Hypotheticals & Regrets)

1. If I had studied harder, I would have passed the exam. I regret not putting in more effort.
  2. If she had set an alarm, she wouldn't have missed the flight. Now, she has to buy another ticket.
  3. If they had trained more, they would have won the championship. Their opponents were much stronger.
  4. If you had reminded me, I wouldn't have forgotten your birthday. I feel so bad about it!
  5. If he had left the house earlier, he wouldn't have gotten stuck in traffic. Now, he is late for the meeting.
  6. If we had booked the hotel in advance, we would have gotten a cheaper rate. Last-minute bookings are always expensive.
  7. If she had worn a jacket, she wouldn't have caught a cold. The weather was freezing last night.
  8. If I had listened to your advice, I wouldn't have made that mistake. You were right all along.
  9. If they had checked the weather forecast, they wouldn't have gone hiking in the storm. They were completely unprepared.
  10. If I had known about the job opening, I would have applied. It was a great opportunity!
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### Mixed Conditionals (Different Time Frames)

1. If she had studied medicine, she would be a doctor now. But she chose a different career path.
2. If he were more responsible, he wouldn't have lost his job last year. His laziness cost him everything.
3. If I had woken up on time, I wouldn't be so tired right now. Missing sleep last night is affecting my whole day.
4. If they had saved money in their 20s, they wouldn't have financial problems now. Planning ahead is important.
5. If she spoke Spanish, she would have communicated better during her trip to Spain. She struggled because of the language barrier.
6. If he had taken driving lessons earlier, he would have his license now. But he kept postponing it.
7. If we were millionaires, we would have bought that luxury mansion last year. But we couldn't afford it.
8. If you had paid attention in class, you would understand this topic now. You missed important explanations.
9. If I had eaten breakfast this morning, I wouldn't be so hungry now. Skipping meals is never a good idea.
10. If they were more patient, they wouldn't have quit the project so soon. Success takes time and effort.