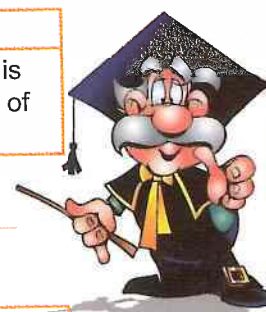


# Conditionals

## Type 0

Type 0	if-clause (hypothesis)	Main clause (result)	Use
general truth	if / when + Present Simple	Present Simple	something which is always true, laws of nature

If you **heat** ice, it **melts**.



## Type 1

Type 1	if-clause (hypothesis)	Main clause (result)	Use
real present	if + Present Simple unless (= if not)	Future, Imperative can / must / may + bare infinitive	real or very probable situation in the present or future

If he **comes** late, we'll **miss** the bus.

If you **can't afford** it, **don't buy** it. = Unless you **can afford** it, **don't buy** it.

If you **see** her, **can you give** her a message?

## Type 2

Type 1	if-clause (hypothesis)	Main clause (result)	Use
unreal present	if + Past Simple	would / could / might + bare infinitive	improbable situation in the present or future; also used to give advice

If I **were** you, I **would see** a doctor. (advice)

If I **had** money, I **could buy** a new car. (But I don't have enough money to buy one.)  
(improbable situation)

## Type 3

Type 1	if-clause (hypothesis)	Main clause (result)	Use
unreal past	if + Past Perfect	would / could / might + have + past participle	unreal or improbable situation in the past; also used to express regret and criticism

If you **hadn't been** rude, he **wouldn't have punished** you. (But you were rude and he punished you.) (criticism)

Study the following notes:

- We put a comma after the if-clause when it comes first.  
*If we go by plane, it will be more expensive.*  
*It will be more expensive if we go by plane.*
- **Unless** means if not.  
*We'll go for a picnic **unless** it rains.*  
*We'll go for a picnic **if** it doesn't rain.*
- After if, we can use were instead of was in all persons.  
*If I **were** you, I wouldn't spend so much money.*

- We do not usually use will, would or should in an if-clause.

*If we **take** a taxi, we **won't be** late.*

**NOT** *If we ~~will take~~ a taxi, we ~~won't be~~ late.*

However, we use should after if when we are not sure about a possibility.

*If I see him, I'll give it to him.* (Perhaps I will see him.)

*If I **should** see him, I'll give it to him.*

(Perhaps I'll see him but I'm not sure.)

1. Match the following parts of the sentences.

- 1 If it's sunny tomorrow,
  - 2 If John doesn't hurry,
  - 3 If it snows,
  - 4 If there are no buses,
- A we'll make a snowman.
  - B she'll have to take a taxi.
  - C he'll be late.
  - D ~~we'll go on a picnic.~~

1 ..... **D** ..... 2 ..... 3 ..... 4 .....

2. Put the verbs in brackets into the correct tense.

- 1 If the weather is bad on Saturday, we will ..... stay... (stay) at home.
- 2 You should see a doctor if you ..... (not/feel) well.
- 3 If you study hard, you ..... (pass) your exam.
- 4 If the dog ..... (keep) barking, the neighbours will complain.
- 5 The teacher ..... (be) angry if you come late for school again.
- 6 If I ..... (finish) my homework early, I'll go out with my friends.
- 7 If I were you, I ..... (call) the police.
- 8 If he ..... (drive) more carefully, he wouldn't have crashed the car.
- 9 I won't go to the party unless you ..... (come) with me.
- 10 If she hadn't left the door open, the cat ..... (not/run away).
- 11 If you ..... (see) Bill, can you ask him to call me?
- 12 If I ..... (have) enough money, I'd buy a computer.
- 13 Unless you apologise, Margaret ..... (not/forgive) you.
- 14 If they ..... (not/rob) the bank, the police wouldn't have sent them to prison.
- 15 If it ..... (rain), we won't go to the park.
- 16 If I had known about their business plans, I ..... (tell) you.
- 17 If you go to Cairo, you ..... (see) the Pyramids.

3. Underline the correct item.

- 1 If they took / had taken a map with them, they wouldn't have got lost.
- 2 If you mix / will mix black and white, you get grey.
- 3 Unless you finish / don't finish your homework, you can't watch TV.
- 4 If I were you, I will pay / would pay attention in class.
- 5 If Tamara had left earlier, she wouldn't have missed / wouldn't miss her plane.
- 6 If I have / had free time, I would watch a movie.
- 7 Unless she passes / doesn't pass her exams, she won't get into university.
- 8 If I were you, I would read / will read the instructions first.
- 9 If Markus had gone to bed early, he wouldn't have been / wouldn't be late for school.
- 10 If I want / wanted to get fit, I would join a gym.
- 11 If you heat butter, it melts / melted.
- 12 If she had told me the truth, I would have forgiven / would forgive her.

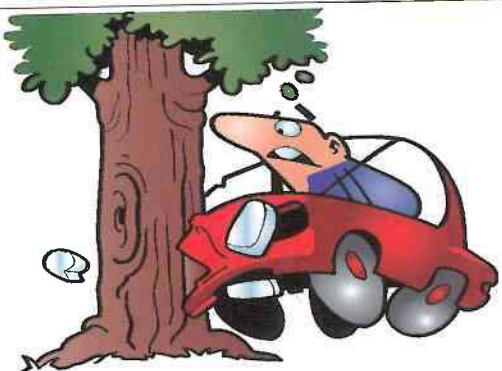
4. Put the verbs in brackets into the correct tense.

- 1 If you don't study.. (not/study) hard, you won't pass the exams.
- 2 I ..... (invite) Bill to dinner if I had seen him.
- 3 If I ..... (be) you, I wouldn't eat so much chocolate.
- 4 If I ..... (have) free time, I would join a gym.
- 5 If you see May, ..... (tell) her to call me.
- 6 Unless it ..... (rain), we'll go to the park.
- 7 If she ..... (hurry), she'll be on time for the meeting.
- 8 If he ..... (not/stay) up late, he wouldn't have felt so tired.
- 9 If you ..... (go) to the market, will you get me some fruit?
- 10 If you washed the car, it ..... (look) much nicer.

**5. Finish the following sentences.**

- 1 If I had enough money, .... *I would buy a new pair of shoes.*
- 2 I wouldn't say that to her .....
- 3 If you don't wake up on time, .....
- 4 We'll stay at home .....
- 5 If you didn't go to the gym so often, .....
- 6 Unless you invite her to the party, .....
- 7 She wouldn't have forgotten the appointment .....
- 8 We would have reached the airport on time .....
- 9 If you drive so carelessly, .....
- 10 If I had got to the station earlier, .....

**6. Use the man's thoughts to write conditionals.**



- 1 I didn't pay much attention. I crashed the car. *If I had paid more attention, I wouldn't have crashed the car.*
- 2 I was on the phone. I didn't see the tree. ....
- 3 I didn't see the tree. I crashed into it. ....
- 4 I haven't got much money. I won't be able to pay for repairs. ....
- 5 I wore my seatbealt. I didn't hurt myself. ....
- 6 I'll drive more carefully in the future. I won't have another accident. ....

**7. Fill in: unless or if.**

- 1 *If*... you make so much noise, I won't be able to sleep.
- 2 You won't understand ..... you listen carefully.
- 3 I won't be able to finish the work ..... you help me.
- 4 ..... you're hungry, I'll make you a sandwich.
- 5 We'll miss the bus ..... we hurry.
- 6 They won't be able to buy a house ..... they save money.
- 7 I'll tell you ..... you get any messages.
- 8 I'll come with you to the dentist's ..... you want to go alone.

**8. Match the items in column A with those in column B in order to make correct type 0 conditional sentences.**

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Drop a stone in water.</li> <li>2 <input type="checkbox"/> Pour oil on water.</li> <li>3 <input type="checkbox"/> Heat water to 100°C.</li> <li>4 <input type="checkbox"/> Mix blue and yellow.</li> <li>5 <input type="checkbox"/> Throw a ball into the air.</li> <li>6 <input type="checkbox"/> Heat chocolate.</li> <li>7 <input type="checkbox"/> Freeze water.</li> <li>8 <input type="checkbox"/> Put food in the fridge.</li> </ol> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) The water boils.</li> <li>b) The ball falls to the ground.</li> <li>c) The chocolate melts.</li> <li>d) The food stays fresh longer.</li> <li>e) <del>The stone sinks.</del></li> <li>f) The water becomes ice.</li> <li>g) You get green.</li> <li>h) It floats.</li> </ol> |
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- 1 *If you drop a stone in the water, the stone sinks.*
- 2 .....
- 3 .....
- 4 .....
- 5 .....
- 6 .....
- 7 .....
- 8 .....