

OK, let's do this!!

A huge congratulations to you for watching the complete mmmEnglish Conditionals series! I have created this worksheet to help you practise what you learned. Take your time, go back and watch the lesson again if you need to review & revise! (The answers are on the last page!)



ZERO CONDITIONAL

The zero conditional is the **FACTUAL** or the **REAL** conditional.

We use it to talk about facts, general truths, habits, rules and instructions that are the **RESULT** of something else happening first.

if/when + present simple , present simple

- When the sun sets, it gets dark.
- If it's cold, light the fire.
- If you leave milk out, it spoils.
- Children can swim, if an adult is with them.

FIRST CONDITIONAL

The first conditional talks about **POSSIBLE FUTURE** results... Things that are likely to happen... But there is still a chance that they may not happen.

We use the first conditional to talk about predictions, superstitions, plans, promises offers, suggestions, warnings and instructions... that are the **RESULT** of something else happening first.

if/when + present simple , **will** + infinitive

- If you don't eat now, you will be hungry later.
- When the sun sets, it will get cold.
Using 'when' means that I am very confident that the action in the 'if' clause will happen.
- If you leave the milk out, it will spoil.

Practice

Read each situation below. Decide if the zero or first conditional sentence is required and write your answer in the box.

Note: There is more than one possible answer. Just make sure that the structure of your sentence is the same as the answer provided!

Situation 1

You are a teacher. You want to warn your students that they need to do their homework by tomorrow... Otherwise, they will be in trouble!

HINT: This is a warning for a specific situation.

Situation 2

You're talking to a child and explaining a fact about what happens in Spring.

HINT: This is a fact or general truth.

Situation 3

You're a politician giving a speech. You want to promise change in the future if the people vote for you.

Situation 4

You're writing a cookbook. You need to write a statement telling people that they can always change the ingredients if they have a food allergy.

SECOND CONDITIONAL

We use the second conditional to talk about things in the future that are UNLIKELY to happen or things that are IMPOSSIBLE in the present.

We use it to 1) imagine life is different; 2) to ask hypothetical questions; 3) to give advice; and 4) to give reasons why.

if/when + past simple , would + infinitive

- If I had enough money, I'd buy a house.
- How would she earn money if she moved to London?
- If I were you, I'd talk to my boss before I quit my job.
- If I had the money, I'd lend it to you.

PRACTICE

Complete the sentences below using the second conditional.

Note: In questions 3,4 & 5 there is more than one possible answer. The structure of your sentence must be the same as the answer provided!

1. We _____ (buy) a house if we _____ (decide) to stay here.
 2. I _____ (ask) my parents for a loan if I _____ (be) you.
 3. If you asked me to _____, I _____
 4. I would take you with me _____
 5. He would _____
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THIRD CONDITIONAL

We use the third conditional to talk about an UNREAL past.

We use it to IMAGINE a situation in the past (a different one to what happened in reality) and the imaginary result. It's often used 1) to express regret about the past; 2) when we wish we could change something in the past; and 3) to scold someone for something they did in the past.

if + past perfect , + perfect conditional

[perfect conditional] is subject + would + have + past participle

- If I had taken better care of myself, I wouldn't have got sick.
- He'd have got the job if he hadn't been so nervous in the interview.
- If she had replied to my message, I wouldn't have been so worried.

PRACTICE

Read each situation below and then write a third conditional sentence to express the idea.

Note: There is more than one possible answer. The structure of your sentence must be the same as the answer provided!

[EXAMPLE] Situation

You had a job interview. But you didn't prepare for it. You didn't get the job. Now, you regret not preparing more!

If I had prepared more for the interview, I would have got the job.

Situation 1

Your friend was in trouble. They needed help. You had the ability to help, but she never told you she was in trouble.

Situation 2

You showed up at a dinner party empty-handed. Everybody else brought a dish to the party! You wish that you had brought something but you didn't know that you were supposed to.

Situation 3

He was talking on the phone while driving. He crashed his car. He's OK, but regrets using his phone in the car.

Situation 4

A woman went on a hike. She didn't bring a rain jacket. It started raining. She was upset because she got very wet.

MIXED CONDITIONALS

Mixed conditionals help you to 'move through time' by using different time references in each clause. These are the two most common time combinations used in mixed conditional sentences:

past action + present result:

if + past perfect , **would** + infinitive

- If I had saved more money, I would own this house.

present condition + past result:

if + past simple , + perfect conditional

[perfect conditional] is subject + would + have + past participle

- If I were more outgoing, I would have introduced myself.

MIXED CONDITIONAL PRACTICE

Read the examples below and then complete the missing clause to create a mixed conditional sentence.

Note: There is more than one possible answer. The structure of your sentence must be the same as the answer provided!

[EXAMPLE] past action + present result

If I had got on that plane, I would ... *IMAGINE WHAT YOU WOULD BE DOING NOW (IN THE PRESENT!)*
PAST ACTION PRESENT RESULT
 ... be in Thailand right now!

1. If I had won the lottery, _____
2. If she had picked up the phone, _____
3. If he hadn't quit his job, _____
4. _____, I would be wealthier today.
5. _____

[EXAMPLE] present condition + past result

If he wasn't injured, he ... *THINK OF AN UNREAL RESULT (IN THE PAST!)*
PRESENT CONDITION PAST RESULT
 ... would have played in the grand final match.

6. If I were more athletic, _____
7. If she wasn't so shy, _____
8. If he were fluent in English, _____
9. _____, I would have offered help.
10. _____

Notes

Horizontal lines for taking notes.

Answers

ZERO/FIRST CONDITIONAL
1. If you don't finish your homework, you will be in trouble!
2. When the snow melts, the flowers bloom.
3. If you vote for me, I will take action on climate change.
4. Use cashew nut butter if you are lactose intolerant.

SECOND CONDITIONAL

1. I would buy, decided
2. I would ask, were
3. If for you, I would say no
4. If I had room in my car
5. He would offer to drive if no-one else did.

THIRD CONDITIONAL

1. I would have helped her if she had told me she was in trouble.
2. If I had known I needed to bring a dish, I would have brought something!
3. If he had ignored the phone call, he would not have crashed his car.
4. I would have brought my jacket if I had known it was going to rain!

MIXED CONDITIONALS

1. I wouldn't be at work right now!
2. I would explain why I did it.
3. He would pay for her meal.
4. If I had invested in Bitcoin
5. (your sentence)
6. I would have played basketball
7. she would have answered the phone
8. he would have applied for the job
9. If you were in trouble
10. (your sentence)