

Conditional types of sentences (if pattern)

If clause..., Main clause.....

Condition..., result.....

Main clause... if clause...

Result... condition...

0 conditional –

If S V1..., S V1...,

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is used for generally true (Present Real).

If we **heat** the ice, it **melts**.

The ice melts if we heat it.

1st conditional –

If S V1..., s will v1...

is used for **possibility (Present possibility)**.

If you **buy** this one, you **will use** your pocket money.

You will use your pocket money if you buy this one.

2nd conditional –

If S V2..., S would V1....

is used for Present unreal, imagination situation.

If I **were** you, I **would not** do like that.

If I **tried** harder, I **would pass** the exam.

3rd conditional –

If Sub had v3..., Sub would have v3...

is used for Past unreal, impossible situations in the past, regret.

If I **had received** invitation letter, I **would have come** to your birthday party.

If I **had tried** harder, I **would have got** more high marks in my exam.

I do not have a transport: therefore, I cannot come to you now.

If I have a transport, I can come to you now.

1. She did not receive an invitation, so she did not come to your wedding. (3rd conditional)
If she had received an invitation, she would have come to your wedding.
2. She does not send you an e-mail because she does not have your e-mail address.
If she had your e-mail address, she would send you an e-mail.
If she has your e-mail address, she will send you an e-mail.
3. The sun does not shine today and so we will not go out.
If the sun shines today, we will go out.
4. The teacher punished you because you did not do your homework.
If you have done your homework, the teacher would not have punished you.
5. I am not a millionaire and so I cannot help all the needy people.
If I were a millionaire, I could help all the needy people.
6. She is not eighteen years old and therefore she does not have the right to vote.
If she is eighteen years old, she has the right to vote.
7. You do not study your lessons regularly, so, you cannot pass the examination.
If you study your lessons regularly, you can pass the examination.
8. I want to go and see him but I have no free time.
If I had free time, I would want to go and see him.
9. I am weak and so I cannot carry the box for you.
If I were not weak, I can carry the box for you.
10. I do not have a passport and so I cannot go abroad.
If I had a passport, I could go abroad.

1. They didn't prepare for the presentation, so they performed poorly.
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If they had prepared for the presentation, they would not have performed poorly.
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2. He is not skilled at chess, so he loses every game.

If he were skilled at chess, she would not lose every game.

3. I forgot my wallet, so I couldn't buy lunch.

If I had not forgotten, I could have bought lunch.

4. She is not confident, so she avoids speaking in public.

If she were confident, she would not avoid speaking in public.

5. We missed the train, so we arrived late for the meeting.

If we had not missed the train, we would not have arrive late for the morning.

6. He didn't study French, so he couldn't understand the conversation in Paris.

If he had studied French, he could have understood the conversation in Paris.

7. The software crashed, so we lost the data.

If the software had not crashed, we would not have lost data.

8. I didn't wake up early, so I missed the sunrise.

If I had woken up early, I would not have missed the sunrise.

9. She is not experienced, so she cannot lead the team effectively.

If she were experiences, she could lead the team effectively.

10. They didn't water the plants, so they died.

If they had watered the plants, they would not have died.

11. I am not strong enough, so I cannot help moving the furniture.

If I were strong enough, I could help moving the furniture.

12. He didn't check the weather, so he got caught in the storm.

If he had checked the weather, he would have got caught in the storm.

13. We don't have enough money, so we cannot afford the holiday.

If we had enough money, we could afford the holiday.

14. She is not feeling well, so she cannot attend the meeting.

If she were feeling well, she could attend the meeting.

15. I didn't read the instructions, so I made mistakes.

If I had read the instructions, I would not have made mistakes.

16. He is not careful, so he often breaks things.

If he were careful, he would not often break things.

17. They didn't practice enough, so they lost the match.

If they had practiced enough, they would not have lost the match.

18. I am not familiar with the area, so I got lost.

If I were familiar with the area, I would not get lost.

1. Divide Verb
2. If V1, 0, 1st, and 2nd
3. At that time, read the sentence and guess
4. If V2, 3rd conditional
5. Cause, result (if cause, result)
6. Change the opposite verb