Language Practice: Conditionals

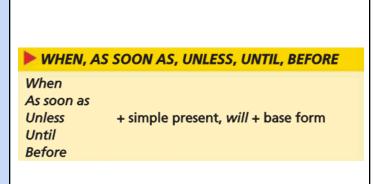
Task 1: Analyze the Sentence

Complete the sentences with the simple present and will + base form. Which sentences refer to future possibility and which refer to something that is generally true?

#	Sentence	Fut. Poss.	Generally True
1	If you (believe) in yourself, you (be) more successful.		
2	I (need) a lot of willpower if I (want) to give up chocolate.		
3	If you (not buy) snacks, you (not be able) to eat them.		
4	If you (find) any more information, (you /let) me know?		
5	I (give up) junk food if you (do), too.		
6	If I (not try) it, I (never know).		
7	we (eat) less if we (use) smaller plates?		

Task 2: Adding some Variation

We can also use some similar structures to talk about the future. Read the grammar box and then complete the sentences.



Jack and Lin are discussing Lin's efforts to eat more healthily. Mark the correct options in **bold**.

- 1. You won't change as soon as / unless you make an effort.
- 2. I'll weigh myself *before / unless* I start my diet.
- 3. I'll keep trying *before / until* I see a change.
- 4. You won't see any results *unless / when* you try hard.
- 5. *If / Unless* you give up easily, you won't achieve your target.
- 6. I'll follow the diet unless / until I lose ten kilos.

Task 3: Talk about You

Think about your own lifestyle. Make sentences describing changes you could make and the probable future results.

• If I ... , I will ...

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