

Conditionals

CONDITION

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RESULT

ZERO conditional

If you stand in the rain, you get wet.
If you heat ice, it melts.

PRESENT SIMPLE

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USES: *Facts which are generally true or scientific facts
The condition always has the same result*

FIRST conditional

If it rains, we will cancel the trip.
If you study, you will pass the exam.

PRESENT SIMPLE

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WILL / WON'T + VERB

USES: *A possible situation in the future
Predicting a likely result in the future (if the condition happens)*

SECOND conditional

If I won the lottery, I would travel a lot.
If they sold their house, they would be rich.

PAST SIMPLE

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WOULD + VERB

USES: *Hypothetical or unlikely situations
Unreal or improbable situation now or in the future*

THIRD conditional

If you had studied, you would have passed the exam.
If I hadn't been sick, I would have gone to your party.

PAST PERFECT

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WOULD HAVE + PAST PARTICIPLE

USES: *The person is imagining a different past
Imaginary situation that did not happen*