

First and Second Conditionals

Example:

First conditionals

1. If it rains, I won't go to the park.
2. She'll be late if the train is delayed.

The First Conditional

(if + simple present + will + verb)
(will + verb + if + simple present)

If I (see) Jim, I (ask) him to phone you.

If I (have) enough money, I (go) to New York.

Second conditionals

1. If I won the lottery, I would buy a big house. (I probably won't win the lottery)
2. She would pass the exam if she ever studied. (She never studies, so this won't happen)

The Second Conditional

If + Simple Past, + Would + Verb
Would + Verb + If + Simple Past

1. If I (know) her name, I (tell) you.

2. If I (be) you, I (inform) the manager.