

**Use of English: ZERO and FIRST Conditional**

My name is _____, I'm in _____ and today is _____

Lesson objective: Recognise and use Zero and First Conditional to express real possibilities through cause and effect relationship, by completing, joining and creating sentences correctly.

Instructions:

- Read the instructions carefully.
- For any questions, ask the teacher.

Zero conditional

We use conditional sentences to talk about the result of a possible situation.

Possible situation ('condition')	Result
If I'm tired,	I go to bed early.

We use the zero conditional to talk about things that are always true – for example, habits or scientific facts.

*If you **heat** chocolate, it **melts**.**If my dad **wakes up** early, he **goes** for a run.*

To form the zero conditional, we use the present tense in the if clause and in the main clause.

If + present simple	present simple
If it rains,	we don't do PE.
If I have an exam,	I revise very hard.

We can put the if clause at the start or end of the sentence. When the if clause comes first, we put a comma between the two clauses.

*If he's on holiday, he gets up late.**He gets up late if he's on holiday.***Activity 1: Look at the rules from a radio quiz show. Match the beginnings 1 -6 to the endings a-f.**

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| 1 If you give a correct answer, ... <u>c</u> | a you lose one point. |
| 2 If you give a wrong answer, ... <u>—</u> | b you get two extra points. |
| 3 If you don't answer in ten seconds, ... <u>—</u> | c you get two points. |
| 4 If the next player answers correctly, ... <u>—</u> | d he or she gets one point. |
| 5 If you answer five questions correctly, ... <u>—</u> | e there is one more question, and the first person to answer correctly is the winner. |
| 6 If two players finish with the same score, ... <u>—</u> | f you get no points and the next player tries to answer. |

Activity 2: Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verb in brackets.

- If the weather is nice, we usually have dinner outside. (have)
- 1 I _____ sick if I eat too much chocolate. (feel)
- 2 If Henry doesn't know a word, he _____ it up in a dictionary. (look)
- 3 If you turn on a light bulb, it _____ hot. (get)
- 4 Teachers _____ away your phone if you use it in a lesson. (take)
- 5 If students _____ school uniform, the headteacher sends them home. (not wear)
- 6 If it _____ enough, plants don't grow. (not rain)
- 7 If Helen _____ her pen, I lend her mine. (have not got)

First conditional

We use the **first conditional** to talk about a possible future situation and its result.

*If it's sunny tomorrow, **we'll go** for a picnic.*

*If Max wants to come, I'll **buy** another ticket.*

We use the present tense in the **if** clause but a future tense in the main clause.

Future condition	Result
If + present simple	will
If I'm tired tonight,	I'll go to bed early.
If you don't do your homework,	your teacher will be very annoyed.

We do not use **will** in the **if** clause.

If ~~I will be~~ tired tonight, I'll go to bed early.

If I'm tired tonight, I'll go to bed early.

Remember, we can put the **if** clause second. Use a comma when the **if** clause comes first.

We'll miss the train if you're late.

If you're late, we'll miss the train.

Activity 3: Circle the correct option

- If she invites / will invite me, I'll go.
- 1 If Tony passes his test, he **buys** / he'll buy a car.
 - 2 She'll earn a lot of money if she **wins** / she'll win the competition.
 - 3 If you go to the shops tomorrow, I **meet** / I'll meet you there.
 - 4 If he **doesn't** / won't understand, I'll explain it.
 - 5 We'll miss / We miss the film if the train is late.
 - 6 If you **don't** / won't listen, you won't learn.
 - 7 If you cook dinner, I / I'll do the washing-up.
 - 8 They won't pass their exams if they **don't** / won't work harder.

Activity 4: Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

- If you sell your bike, you'll get a lot of money.
(sell, get)
- 1 If they _____ late, we _____ the film. (arrive, miss)
 - 2 I _____ angry if Emily _____ for me. (be, not wait)
 - 3 If you _____ down, we _____. (not slow, crash)
 - 4 Ted _____ silly if he _____ that hat. (look, wear)
 - 5 If Jack _____ the book, I _____ it to him.
(need, lend)
 - 6 If you _____ that watch, we _____ you a new one. (lose, not buy)
 - 7 Lucy _____ the race if she _____ harder.
(not win, not train)
 - 8 They _____ you if you _____ to them like that.
(not help, talk)