

Conditional sentences

1. If + present simple \longrightarrow will/can/may + bare infinitive
or imperative

It shows sth **possible** to happen in the **future**

e.g. If you see him, will you tell him to call me?/tell him to call me.

2. If + past simple \longrightarrow would/could/might +bare infinitive

It shows sth **unlikely/impossible** to happen, or sth **unreal, imaginary, contrary to reality** in the **present/future**

e.g. If I were you, I would certainly try to find a solution.

3. If + past perfect \longrightarrow would/could/might + have + past participle

It shows sth **contrary to reality** in the **past**

e.g. If he had been more careful he wouldn't have burnt the omelet.

4. If + past perfect \longrightarrow would/could/might +bare infinitive

Mixed conditional: It shows sth **contrary to reality, combining the past with the present**

e.g. If it hadn't snowed last night, the roads wouldn't be blocked today.

0. If + present simple \longrightarrow present simple

It shows a **general truth**

e.g. If plants aren't watered, they wither and die.

Complete the sentences below. Use conditional sentences

1. If the windows in our classroom _____ (be) broken we _____
(collect) money to fix them.
2. If I _____ (see) someone play with a football in the classroom, I
_____ (tell) the teachers. We must all respect our common space.
3. If I _____ (be) a flower I _____ (be) a rose.
4. If Jane _____ (learn) a foreign language when she was a student,
she _____ (go) abroad to study.
5. If that man _____ (drive) carefully, he _____
(cause) an accident last night.