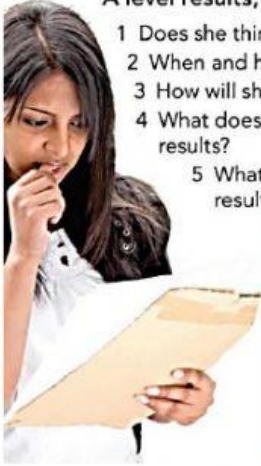


## FUTURE TIME CLAUSES

- When was the last time you had to do an exam or certification?
- How did you feel before it?
- How did you prepare for it?

**b 7.10** Listen to Olivia, who is waiting for her A level results, and answer the questions.



- 1 Does she think she's passed?
- 2 When and how will she get her exam results?
- 3 How will she celebrate if she gets good results?
- 4 What does she want to do if she gets good results?
- 5 What will she do if she doesn't get the results that she needs?



### Exam results

Exam results can be given as *marks* (usually out of 10 or 100), or as *grades* (A, B, C, etc.). A level marks are given as grades. The top grade is A\* (A star), which is better than an A.

**c 7.11** Listen to Olivia after she got her results. What grades did she get? What's she going to do?

**d 7.12** Can you remember what Olivia said? Try to complete the sentences. Then listen and check.

- 1 They won't give me a place **unless** \_\_\_\_\_ at least two A\*s and an A.
- 2 **As soon as** \_\_\_\_\_, I'll go to school and pick up the envelope.
- 3 I don't want to plan any celebrations **until** \_\_\_\_\_ the results.
- 4 **If** I don't get into Cambridge, \_\_\_\_\_.
- 5 **When** \_\_\_\_\_ a bit more positive, I'll try to get a place at another university.

## Grammar rules

first conditional and future time clauses + *when, until, etc.*

**first conditional sentences: if + present simple, will / won't + infinitive**

- 1 If you **work** hard, you'll **pass** your exams. 7.13
- The teacher **won't be** very pleased if we're late for class.
- 2 **Come** and see us next week if you **have** time.
- 3 Alison **won't get** into university unless she **gets** good grades. I **won't go** unless you **go** too.



- We use first conditional sentences to talk about a possible / probable future situation and its consequence.

- 1 We use the present tense (**NOT** the future) after *if* in first conditional sentences. **NOT** ~~If you'll work hard, you'll pass all your exams.~~
- 2 We can also use an imperative instead of the *will* clause.
- 3 We can use *unless* + present simple + instead of *if...not* in conditional sentences. Compare: Alison **won't get** into university **if** she **doesn't get** good grades.

### future time clauses

We'll **have** dinner when your father **gets** home. 7.14  
 As soon as you **get** your exam results, **call** me.  
 I **won't go** to bed until you **come** home.  
 I'll **have** a quick lunch before I **leave**.  
 After I **finish** university, I'll probably **take** a year off and travel.

- We use the present tense (**NOT** the future) after *when, as soon as, until, before, and after* to talk about the future.

**a** Complete with the present simple or future with *will* and the verbs in brackets.

If I fail my exams, I'll take them again next year. (take)

- 1 That girl \_\_\_\_\_ into trouble if she doesn't wear her uniform. (get)
- 2 If you give in your homework late, the teacher \_\_\_\_\_ it. (not mark)
- 3 Don't write anything unless you \_\_\_\_\_ sure of the answer. (be)
- 4 Gary will be expelled if his behaviour \_\_\_\_\_. (not improve)
- 5 They'll be late for school unless they \_\_\_\_\_. (hurry)
- 6 Ask me if you \_\_\_\_\_ what to do. (not know)
- 7 Johnny will be punished if he \_\_\_\_\_ at the teacher again. (shout)
- 8 My sister \_\_\_\_\_ university this year if she passes all her exams. (finish)
- 9 I \_\_\_\_\_ tonight unless I finish my homework quickly. (not go out)
- 10 Call me if you \_\_\_\_\_ some help with your project. (need)

**b** Circle the correct word or expression.

I won't go to university if / unless I don't get good results.

- 1 Don't turn over the exam paper *after* / *until* the teacher tells you to.
- 2 Please check the water's not too hot *before* / *after* the kids get in the bath.
- 3 Your parents will be really happy *when* / *unless* they hear your good news.
- 4 I'll look for a job in September *before* / *after* I come back from holiday.
- 5 The schools will close *unless* / *until* it stops snowing soon.
- 6 The job is very urgent, so please do it *after* / *as soon* as you can.
- 7 We'll stay in the library *as soon as* / *until* it closes. Then we'll go home.
- 8 Harry will probably learn to drive *when* / *until* he's 18.
- 9 You won't be able to speak to the head teacher *unless* / *if* you make an appointment.
- 10 Give Mummy a kiss *before* / *after* she goes to work.

← p.68

Complete the conversations with the verbs in the correct form: present simple, imperative, or *will* + infinitive. Use contractions where possible.

- 1 **A** Ugh! The weather's terrible! Unless it <sup>1</sup> improves (improve) at the weekend, we <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (have to) cancel the party.  
**B** What? We can't cancel it!  
**A** But we <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (not able to) have a barbecue if it <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (rain).  
**B** Well, if the weather <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (be) still bad, we <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (have) lunch inside instead.



- 2 **A** So, <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (not forget) to phone me when you <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (get) there.  
**B** Yes, Mum. I <sup>9</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (call) you as soon as I <sup>10</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (arrive).  
**A** And if anything <sup>11</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (go) wrong, <sup>12</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (you / let) me know straight away?  
**B** Yes, Mum. Stop worrying!

