

## First Conditional

| Conditional<br><i>If + Present Simple</i> | Result<br><i>will + infinitive</i> |
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| If we take the car to the station,        | we'll get the eight o'clock train. |
| If we don't leave now,                    | we won't catch the train.          |
| If the car doesn't start,                 | we'll be late for the train.       |
| If you don't drive us,                    | how will we get to the station?    |

| Yes/No questions                          | Short answers                  |
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| If we leave now, will we catch the train? | Yes, we will.<br>No, we won't. |

There are two parts in a conditional sentence:

- 1 the *if* clause gives you the condition; what may/might happen
- 2 the *will* clause tells you what the result will be.

The two parts can be in any order:

*If we don't go now, we'll be late.* = *We'll be late if we don't go now.*

Use a comma (,) when the *If* clause is first.

We use the First Conditional for

- situations/actions and their results: *If it's sunny tomorrow, we'll go swimming.*
- promises: *If you do well in your exams, I'll buy you a bike.*
- threats: *If you do that again, I'll phone the police!*
- warnings: *If you touch that, you'll hurt yourself.*
- offers: *If you're going away, I'll feed your cat.*

Match the actions and the results. Write First Conditional sentences.

1 pass your exams

2 eat too much

3 don't save some money

4 see your sister

5 telephone me when your train arrives

6 cycle too fast

7 forget your homework again

8 don't eat breakfast

a have an accident

b collect you from the station

c be in trouble

d go to university

e not have enough energy in the morning

f feel ill

g not go on holiday

h tell her about the concert?

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