ZERO CONDITIONAL

The zero conditional is used to express general truths. In these sentences, there is a condition referred to using "if". This means, if something happens, another action can follow.

EXAMPLE

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

FORM

To write a sentence in the zero conditional, we use,

- **If clause-present simple + Main clause-present simple.**
  Example: If you heat ice, it melts.
- **Main clause-present simple + if clause-present simple.**
  Example: Ice melts if you heat it.

When we use the first form of the sentence (starting with the "if" clause) you have to add a comma after the clause. You can also use "if" or "when".

PRACTICE

WHAT DO YOU DO IF/WHEN...

Read each clause and complete the rest using the zero conditional.

1 If a stranger talks to me in the street, _____
2 When you study a lot for a exam, _____
3 You get burned _____
4 When I wake up late, _____
5 If you eat too much junk food _____
6 If it rains, _____
7 If I have a cold, _____
8 When you mix red and blue, _____
9 Rivers freeze _____
10 If the weather is nice _____



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