

First vs. Zero Conditional

⇒ The **zero** conditional describes what happens **in general**.

⇒ The **first** conditional describes a **particular situation**.

- **If you sit in the sun, you get burned:** Here I'm talking about every time a person sits in the sun - the burning is a natural result of sitting. >**ZERO COND.**
- **If you sit in the sun, you may get burned:** Here I'm talking about what will happen today, another day might be different. >**FIRST COND.**

EX 1 MATCH THE HALVES

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| 1. If I feel tired, | a) you can have an apple. |
| 2. If I can't afford a new watch, | b) I'll go to bed. |
| 3. Let me know | c) I won't buy one. |
| 4. If you are hungry, | d) if you are going out. |
| 5. If I get a pay rise, | e) we can go on holiday. |

EX 2 SAY IF THESE SENTENCES ARE TYPE 0 (0) OR TYPE 1 (1).

1. If the doctor thinks it's necessary, I'll have to have an operation.
2. If I have a toothache, I go to the dentist.
3. Soap dissolves if you leave it in water.
4. I'll tell you if I see Carla.
5. If you don't know the right spelling, look it up in a dictionary.

EX 3 ZERO CONDITIONAL

1. If I _____ (speak) to John, he _____ (get) annoyed.
2. I _____ (feel) good the next day if I _____ (go) to bed early.
3. Lots of people _____ (come) if Jenny _____ (have) a party.
4. She _____ (buy) expensive clothes if she _____ (go) shopping.

EX 4 FIRST CONDITIONAL

1. If I _____ (go) out tonight, I _____ (go) to the cinema.

2. If you _____ (get) back late, I _____ (be) angry.
 3. If we _____ (not / meet) tomorrow, we _____ (meet) next week.
 4. If he _____ (come), I _____ (be) surprised.
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EX 5 COMPLETE THE EXERCISE WITH IF OR UNLESS

1. We cannot go sailing _____ the rain stops.
 2. I won't talk to her _____ she apologizes (say sorry) to me.
 3. You won't be able to find the house _____ you get help from your GPS.
 4. I won't go _____ he is going.
 5. _____ you don't take notes you will have hard time studying later.
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EX 6 USE YOUR OWN IDEAS TO COMPLETE THESE SENTENCES

1. If my friend tells me a lie, _____
2. Life' ll be boring if _____
3. Unless I get bad marks at school, _____
4. If you go to bed very late, _____
5. I won't be very happy if _____