

The First Conditional

(if + simple present + will + verb)

(will + verb + if + simple present)

We use *first conditional* when talking about **possible future events**. The if clause is in the **simple present** and the main clause is in the **simple future**.

- If he **catches** a fish, he **will be** happy. Or:
- He **will be** happy if he **catches** a fish.

Exercises: - Be sure to use the contracted form of the verb i.e. 'don't' rather than 'do not', 'won't' rather than 'will not' etc

1. If it (rain) then we (stay) at home.
2. If I (see) Jim, I (ask) him to phone you.
3. If I (have) enough money, I (go) to New York.
4. If he (be) late, we (go) without him.
5. If I (be) not too tired, I (go) to the cinema.
6. I (be) very surprised if he (come).
7. If I (not/ go) to bed now, I (be) tired tomorrow.
8. They (go) to the party if they (be) invited.
9. We (be) late if we (not hurry)
10. If we (eat) all this cake, we (be) sick.
11. He (not/get) a better job if he (not/pass) his exam.