



29 Listen and repeat. Then act out.



Type 0	if-clause (hypothesis)	Main clause (result)	Use
general truth	if / when + Present Simple	Present Simple	something which is always true, laws of nature

If you heat ice, it melts.

Type 1	if-clause (hypothesis)	Main clause (result)	Use
real present	if + Present Simple unless (= if not)	Future, Imperative can / must / may + bare infinitive	real or very probable situation in the present or future

If he comes late, we'll miss the bus.

If you can't afford it, don't buy it. = Unless you can afford it, don't buy it.

If you see her, can you give her a message?

Type 2	if-clause (hypothesis)	Main clause (result)	Use
unreal present	if + Past Simple	would / could / might + bare infinitive	improbable situation in the present or future; also used to give advice

If I were you, I would see a doctor. (advice)

If I had money, I could buy a new car. (But I don't have enough money to buy one.) (improbable situation)

Type 3	if-clause (hypothesis)	Main clause (result)	Use
unreal past	if + Past Perfect	would / could / might + have + past participle	unreal or improbable situation in the past; also used to express regret and criticism

If you hadn't been rude, he wouldn't have punished you. (But you were rude and he punished you.) (criticism)

Study the following notes:

- We put a comma after the **if-clause** when it comes first.
If we go by plane, it will be more expensive.
It will be more expensive if we go by plane.
- **Unless** means **if not**.
We'll go for a picnic **unless** it rains.
We'll go for a picnic **if** it doesn't rain.
- **After if**, we can use **were** instead of **was** in all persons.
If I **were** you, I wouldn't spend so much money.

- We do not usually use **will**, **would** or **should** in an *if*-clause.
If we **take** a taxi, we won't be late.

NOT ~~If we **will** **take** a taxi, we won't be late.~~

However, we use **should** after *if* when we are not sure about a possibility.

If I see him, I'll give it to him. (Perhaps I will see him.)

If I **should** see him, I'll give it to him. (Perhaps I'll see him but I'm not sure.)

1 Match the following parts of the sentences.

1 If it's sunny tomorrow,	A we'll make a snowman.
2 If John doesn't hurry,	B she'll have to take a taxi.
3 If it snows,	C he'll be late.
4 If there are no buses,	D we'll go on a picnic.

1 ... *D* ...
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2 Write type 1 conditionals.



1 (eat/put on weight)
If he eats so much, he will put on weight.



2 (not work hard/lose job)



3 (rain/stay at home)

3 Put the verbs in brackets into the correct tense. Add a comma where necessary.

1 If the dog <i>keeps</i> (keep) barking, the neighbours will complain.	4 If the weather is bad on Saturday we (stay) at home.
2 The teacher (be) angry if you come late for school again.	5 You should see a doctor if you (not/feel) well.
3 If I (finish) my homework early I'll go out with my friends.	6 If you study hard you (pass) your exam.

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Conditionals

4 Fill in: *unless* or *if*.

- 1 *If* you make so much noise, I won't be able to sleep.
- 2 You won't understand you listen carefully.
- 3 I won't be able to finish the work you help me.
- 4 you're hungry, I'll make you a sandwich.

- 5 We'll miss the bus we hurry.
- 6 They won't be able to buy a house they save money.
- 7 I'll tell you you get any messages.
- 8 I'll come with you to the dentist's you want to go alone.

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Match the items in column A with those in column B in order to make correct type 0 conditional sentences as in the example:

1-e *If* *When you drop a stone in water, the stone sinks.*

A	B
1 Drop a stone in water.	a The water boils.
2 Pour oil on water.	b The ball falls to the ground.
3 Heat water to 100°C.	c The chocolate melts.
4 Mix blue and yellow.	d The food stays fresh longer.
5 Throw a ball into the air.	e The stone sinks.
6 Heat chocolate.	f The water becomes ice.
7 Freeze water.	g You get green.
8 Put food in the fridge.	h It floats.

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Put the verbs in brackets into the correct tense.

1 A: I must be at the airport by 9:00 am.
B: Well, if you *don't leave* (*not/leave*)

right away, you *will miss*
(*miss*) your flight.

2 A: How long will you stay in Europe?

B: I (*not/stay*) long
unless I (*find*)
a summer job.

3 A: I need some help with the housework.

B: Well, if you
(*hoover*) the carpets, I
..... (*make*) the beds.

4 A: How can I print this information?

B: I (*show*)
you if you (*wait*)
a few minutes.