

# Conditionals – avoiding “if”

**Type 0** – only in Type 0 Conditional Sentences, we replace ***if*** with ***when*** in order to omit ***if***

e.g. If you heat water, it boils.

**When**, it boils.

**Type 1** - only in Type 1 Conditional Sentences, we replace ***if*** with ***should*** in order to omit ***if***

e.g. If you study hard, you will succeed.

**Should**, you will succeed.

**Type 2** - only in Type 2 Conditional Sentences, we use the ***were to*** construction in order to omit ***if***

e.g. If you called me tonight, I would go out with you.

**Were to call**, I would go out with you.

**Type 3** - only in Type 3 Conditional Sentences, we use **the inversion of the auxiliary *had* with the subject OR the *but for (+noun)* construction** in order to omit ***if***

e.g. If you hadn't helped me, I would never have succeeded.

**Hadn't helped**, I would never have succeeded.

**But for**, I would never have succeeded.

(BUT FOR = if it hadn't been for)