

GRAMMAR

Zero, First and Second Conditionals

Zero Conditional: things that are always true

if/when/unless + Present Simple, Present Simple/ imperative

*When they **complete** the training, they **are** able to go to Mars.*

First Conditional: possible situations in the future

if/unless + Present Simple, will + infinitive/imperative

*If her dreams **come** true, she **will** travel to Mars!*

Second Conditional: unlikely or imaginary situations

if/unless + Past Simple, would + infinitive (without to)

*What **would** life **be** like if you **were** an astronaut?*

1 ●● Choose the correct option.

- If the rocket **launches** / *launched* at the right time, it will reach the moon in six weeks.
- You won't see the comet *unless* / *if* you have a good telescope.
- I always watch *Star Watch* if *it's* / *it will be* on TV.
- I wouldn't go into space if you *pay* / *paid* me!
- Would you study Astronomy if you *have* / *had* the chance?
- If the weather isn't good, you *won't* / *will* see the planet clearly.

2 ●● Complete the sentences with the words below.

doesn't don't gets had (x2) switch
will won't would (x2)

- If I **had** enough money, I _____ buy a telescope.
- If it _____ rain tonight, we _____ see the moon.
- I _____ travel more if I _____ more time.
- If the computer _____ too hot, _____ it off.
- My parents _____ be happy if I _____ pass my exams.

3 ●● Choose the correct option.

- Interviewer: Good afternoon, Colin. How are the preparations for the next mission going?
- Colin: Very well, thanks. If the weather ¹**is** / *was* good, we'll leave Earth on Friday. Then, if everything goes well, we ²**reach** / *will reach* the space station in two days.
- Interviewer: Could anything go wrong?
- Colin: Of course. For example, the weather might be bad. If that happened, we ³**will** / *would* wait until it got better. Also, if any of the rocket's systems ⁴**fail** / *failed*, we would use the emergency spacecraft to return to Earth.
- Interviewer: Well, let's hope everything goes well. What do people need to do if they ⁵**want** / *will want* to see the space station from Earth?
- Colin: Well, you ⁶**don't** / *won't* see the space station unless you have a good telescope. If you want to know when it passes over your area, ⁷**check** / *checked* on our website.
- Interviewer: Thanks very much, Colin, and good luck!

4 ●● Complete the text with the correct form of the verbs in brackets.**Build your own telescope**

If you ¹**want** (want) to see the stars and planets, you need a good quality telescope. Unfortunately, they aren't cheap. In fact, if you ²_____ (want) to buy a really good one, you'd need to have a lot of money. But don't worry. If you really want to look at the stars, you ³_____ (can) make your own telescope.

All you need is a cardboard tube – the ones you ⁴_____ (use) if you want to send a poster by mail – and a couple of lenses. Make sure you cut the tube very straight. This is important as you ⁵_____ (not be able) to change the focus unless it ⁶_____ (be) absolutely straight. Then attach the lenses inside the tube. You can just slide them in, but if you ⁷_____ (need) to make them secure, glue them in carefully. Finally, cover the other end of the tube with a piece of cardboard and make a small hole to look through.

Now you're ready to look at the stars! It's not the world's most powerful telescope, but if you ⁸_____ (use) it on a clear night, you get some good views. If I ⁹_____ (not have) mine, I wouldn't see nearly so much of the night sky.