

★ ALL STARS ★

CONDITIONALS PRACTICE

	CONDITION	RESULT	
ZERO	"If you mix blue and yellow,	"you get green"	REAL EVENTS
FIRST	"If you throw a party tonight,	"I will totally go"	POSSIBLE EVENTS
SECOND	"If I were to travel to Europe,	"I would visit Paris and Berlin"	IMAGINARY EVENTS

THE USE OF UNLESS:

"Unless" is used in conditional sentences to mean "if not." It introduces a negative condition and is often used instead of "if... not." Like "if," it is followed by a present, past, or past perfect verb depending on the conditional type.

Zero Conditional

Unless = If... not (present simple + present simple)
Unless you mix colors properly, the painting looks strange.

First Conditional

Unless = If... not (present simple + future simple)
Unless we act now, climate change will continue to get worse.

Second Conditional

Unless = If... not (past simple + would + base verb)
Unless people appreciated art more, they wouldn't see its true impact on society.

FRIENDLY REMINDER:

- **Unless is used instead of "if... not" in conditionals.**
- **It cannot be used with negative verbs (e.g., "Unless you don't listen" ✗).**
- **It is mostly used in zero, first, second, and third conditional sentences.**

MORE EXPRESSIONS!

Even if is used to emphasize that the condition does not change the result. It is commonly used in the first and second conditional.

- *Even if people support engaged artists, their work will still face criticism. (First Conditional)*
- *Even if I had all the money in the world, I wouldn't stop creating art. (Second Conditional)*

Even so is not used as a condition but rather as a contrast phrase that means "despite that." It often connects two ideas where the second one is unexpected or surprising.

- *The artist received negative reviews. Even so, he continued his activism.*
- *Many people don't understand politically engaged art. Even so, it influences society in subtle ways.*

Even though introduces a fact that makes the main statement surprising.

- *Even though the artist was censored, their message spread worldwide.*
- *Even though people complain about modern art, it still plays a key role in activism.*

Only if means that something will happen only under one specific condition. It is often used in the first conditional.

- *Art can change the world only if people are willing to listen.*
- *You will understand the painting only if you learn about the artist's background.*

PRACTICE:

Have a look at the following conditions and think of possible results taking into consideration the type of condition given:

CONDITIONS	RESULTS
<i>If the film was better directed...</i>	
<i>If artists didn't share their stories...</i>	
<i>Unless we support independent musicians...</i>	
<i>If the concert starts on time...</i>	
<i>Even if I had a special talent...</i>	
<i>If I were a famous celebrity...</i>	



Now, transform the sentences from 1 to 6 using the words given without changing the meaning of the sentence:

1. If people listen to music, they feel relaxed. (only if)
2. If the film doesn't get good reviews, people will watch it anyways. (even if)
3. When a movie is well-written, it becomes successful. (if)
4. Only if musicians practice daily, they will improve their skills. (if)
5. If I were a famous and rich singer, I would write my own songs. (even if)
6. The album got reviews, but people still went to the concert. (even though)

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.
- 6.