

# ZERO CONDITIONAL - CERTAINTY

IF/WHEN	CONDITION	RESULT
	PRESENT SIMPLE	PRESENT SIMPLE
If/When	you heat butter	it melts

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PRESENT SIMPLE		PRESENT SIMPLE
Butter melts	If/when	you heat it

We use the zero conditional when the result of the condition is always true and obvious.



**Exercise** Write the verbs in brackets. Use the ZERO conditional.



- 1- If it \_\_\_\_\_ (rain), the streets \_\_\_\_\_ (get) wet.
- 2- My mother \_\_\_\_\_ (get) angry when I \_\_\_\_\_ (not do) my homework every day.
- 3- If you \_\_\_\_\_ (run) too fast, you \_\_\_\_\_ (get) really exhausted.
- 4- I can't \_\_\_\_\_ (understand) Elizabeth when she \_\_\_\_\_ (speak) so quickly.
- 5- If Madeleine \_\_\_\_\_ (miss) the seven o'clock train, she \_\_\_\_\_ (be) late for work.
- 6- When you \_\_\_\_\_ (turn on) an electric al appliance, the electricity meter \_\_\_\_\_ (go) up.
- 7- My little sister always \_\_\_\_\_ (cry) when she \_\_\_\_\_ (be) hungry.
- 8- When you \_\_\_\_\_ (drink) too much alcohol, you sure \_\_\_\_\_ (get) drunk. It's dangerous.
- 9- The mountains \_\_\_\_\_ (get) white when it \_\_\_\_\_ (snow).
- 10- If you \_\_\_\_\_ (don't drink) enough water, you \_\_\_\_\_ (become) dehydrated.
- 11- You \_\_\_\_\_ (gain) weigh if you \_\_\_\_\_ (eat) too much sugar and fried food.
- 12- When my mother \_\_\_\_\_ (have) a toothache, she always \_\_\_\_\_ (take) an aspirin.
- 13- If you \_\_\_\_\_ (mix) red and blue, you \_\_\_\_\_ (get) purple.
- 14- Plants \_\_\_\_\_ (die) if they \_\_\_\_\_ (not get) enough water.
- 15- If you \_\_\_\_\_ (break) a leg, it \_\_\_\_\_ (hurt) and it's very painful.
- 16- When my friends \_\_\_\_\_ (tell) me an important secret, I never \_\_\_\_\_ (tell) it to anyone.
- 17- You \_\_\_\_\_ (get) a substantial fine if you \_\_\_\_\_ (not pay) your taxes.
- 18- If you \_\_\_\_\_ (not get) enough vitamins and iron, you \_\_\_\_\_ (suffer) from anaemia.

