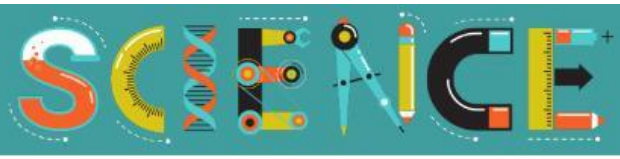

Zero and First Conditional

1. Scientific Facts: Match Up

Memory Prompt: We use the **Zero Conditional** (If/When + Present Simple, Present Simple) for general truths and scientific facts. We use the **First Conditional** (If + Present Simple, will + verb) for real future possibilities.

Match the first half of the zero conditional sentence (1-5) to the correct result (a-e). Write the letter in the middle column.

Action (If...)		Result
1. If you freeze water,		**a)** it becomes liquid.
2. If you heat ice,		**b)** they die.
3. If you don't water plants,		**c)** it becomes solid.
4. If you pour oil on water,		**d)** it kills the infection.
5. If you take penicillin,		**e)** it floats.

2. Spot the Mistake

Read the pairs of sentences. Choose the grammatically correct First Conditional sentence in each pair. Remember: we don't usually use 'will' in the 'if' clause!

1. Which sentence is correct?

a) If you'll meet her, I'm sure that you'll like her.

b) If you meet her, I'm sure that you'll like her.

2. Which sentence is correct?

a) If you don't go with us, you'll miss out on a lot of fun.

b) If you don't go with us, you'll missed out on a lot of fun.

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3. Which sentence is correct?

a) If you go, we'll have a better time. b) If you will go, we'll have a better time.

4. Which sentence is correct?

a) It'll be a pleasure if you came. b) It'll be a pleasure if you come.

3. The Leaky Roof Story

Read the story below. It uses a chain of Zero Conditional sentences. Complete the text by writing the correct present simple verbs in the answer boxes below.

Word bank: become / get / go / pour / make / say

There is a hole in my roof. When it rains, the water **[1]** in. When the water comes in, it **[2]** the floor wet. When the floor is wet, the walls **[3]** green. When the walls are green, I **[4]** ill. When I am ill, I **[5]** to the doctor. When I see the doctor, he always **[6]** the same thing: 'Fix the roof!'

4. Complete the Thoughts

Finish the sentences using your own ideas. Make sure you use the correct verb tense for the result!

1. If I get a good mark on my next English test,

2. When the weather is very cold in winter,

3. If my friends invite me to the cinema this weekend,

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