CONDITIONAL SENTENCES + TROUBLESHOOTING VOCABULARY

This exercise combines the technical vocabulary from Troubleshooting article with the grammatical structures of the **four types of conditional sentences**.

Instructions: Complete the sentences using the correct form of the verb in parentheses and the appropriate vocabulary word from the list below:

Isolate, Root, Cause, Systematic, Workaround, Methodology, Reproduce, Verification, Documentation, Symptoms, Implement

Zero Conditional (General Truths & Facts)

Structure: If + Present Simple, Present Simple

1. If a technician follows a _____ approach, they usually ..... **(find)** the error faster.
2. If you ..... **(isolate)** the problem to a single component, troubleshooting ..... **(become)** much easier.
3. When a system shows specific _____, it ..... **(indicate)** an underlying failure.
4. If the team ..... **(implement)** a temporary _____, the system ..... **(stay)** online until a permanent fix is found.
5. If you don't ..... **(document)** the steps taken, you ..... **(lose)** valuable data for future repairs.

First Conditional (Real Possibilities/Future Results)

Structure: If + Present Simple, Will + Verb

6. If we ..... **(implement)** the solution now, the network ..... **(recover)** by noon.
7. If the user ..... **(reproduce)** the error for us, we ..... **(be)** able to see exactly what is wrong.
8. If we identify the _____ today, we ..... **(save)** thousands of dollars in hardware costs.
9. If the technician follows the company's _____, the repair..... **(be)** successful.
10. If the _____ process fails, the software ..... **(not/launch)** for the end users.

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Second Conditional (Hypothetical/Unlikely Situations)

Structure: If + Past Simple, Would + Verb

11. If I ..... **(know)** the_____ of the crash, I ..... **(not/have)** to call technical support.
12. If the company ..... **(use)** a more _____ process, they ..... **(prevent)** these frequent outages.
13. If you ..... **(isolate)**the faulty server, the rest of the network ..... **(function)** normally.
14. If we ..... **(have)** better **(15)**_____, it ..... **(be)** easier to train the new staff.
15. If the software..... **(display)** different _____, I ..... **(suspect)** a virus instead of a hardware glitch.

Third Conditional (Past Regrets/Impossible Situations)

Structure: If + Past Perfect, Would Have + Past Participle

16. If the admin ..... **(implement)** the fix sooner, the downtime ..... **(not/be)** so long.
17. If they ..... **(read)** the **(18)**_____, they ..... **(not/make)** that configuration mistake.
18. If we ..... **(reproduce)** the error earlier in the week, we ..... **(fix)** it before the product launch.
19. If you ..... **(perform)** a final **(20)**_____, you..... **(notice)** that the printer was still disconnected.
20. If the team ..... **(find)** the _____ last year, the system ..... **(not/fail)** again today.

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