

CONDITIONAL SENTENCES



If mum doesn't give us any money, we will not buy the tickets

if-clause

main clause

Unless mum gives us some money, we will not buy the tickets

if-clause

main clause

Unless = if ... not

We won't go to the beach if the weather is cold tomorrow

Unless the weather is hot / isn't cold tomorrow, we won't go to the beach.

TYPES

0 → GENERAL TRUTHS, FACTS

"If you heat ice, it melts" "If I go to bed late, I get tired"

what's always true

if-clause

main clause

present simple present simple

1 → REAL SITUATIONS

"If you call me, I will go with you"

likely to happen

if-clause

main clause

present simple will + infinitive

2 → HYPOTHETICAL/UNREAL SITUATIONS

"If I won the lottery, I would buy a new and bigger house"

NOT likely to happen

if-clause

main clause

past simple would + infinitive (cond. simp)

3 → HYPOTHETICAL PAST SITUATIONS

"If I had won the lottery, I would have bought a new house"

impossible to happen

if-clause

main clause

past perfect would have + 3rd column

WISHES and REGRETS OJALA

- to express **WISHES** we use 'I WISH' followed by past simple

"I wish you bought me a present for my birthday. It would be perfect!"

"I wish I were younger and taller..."

- to express **REGRETS** we use 'I WISH' followed by past perfect

"I wish you had bought me a present for my birthday. It would have been a perfect day!"

"I wish I had been younger and taller..."

Complete the exercise with the correct conditional type and verb tense

1. If the weather (be) fine tomorrow, we (go) to the seaside. **TYPE 1**

2. Mary (not buy) the costumes if her mum (not give) her the money. **TYPE 1**

3. If you (travel) by coach instead of by train, you (arrive) in time to the meeting. **TYPE 3**

4. Don't come back without the tickets. If you (not find) them, we (have) a big argument! **TYPE 1**

5. (you / can) sign our petition if you were interested enough?

6. (you / help) me finish my English project if I (pay) you for it? **TYPE 1**

11. If it (rain) tomorrow, we (not go) on the school trip. **TYPE 1**

12. Dylan and Patrick (attend) the meeting if we (call) them now. **TYPE 2**

13. If Jake is successful in his new job, they (give) him some extra money. **TYPE 1**

14. We (play) the game tomorrow unless it (rain). **TYPE 1**

15. What (your parents / say) if you (not do) well in your exams? **TYPE 1**

16. What (your parents / say) if you (not do) well in your exams? **TYPE 2**

17. What (your parents / say) if you (not do) well in your exams? **TYPE 3**

18. Unless it (be) sunny this weekend we (stay) at home. **TYPE 1**

19. I'm pretty sure he (win) the race unless he (fall) over. **TYPE 1**

WRITING

Imagine you are stranded on a desert island. What would you take with you? Why?

e.g. 'If I took a torch with me, I wouldn't be afraid of darkness'