

First Conditional

What is the First Conditional?

First conditional is used to talk about actions/events in the future which are likely to happen or have a real possibility of happening. For example: If it rains tomorrow, I'll stay at home.

Form

if clause + main clause

If + (present simple) + will + base verb

Exercises

A) Write the correct form of the verbs in the brackets.

1. If it's hot this afternoon, we _____ (go) to the beach.
2. If it's cold this afternoon, we _____ (not go) to the beach.
3. If you dance all night, your feet _____ (hurt).
4. If we eat all this cake, we _____ (feel) sick.
5. If I am late for class, the teacher _____ (not let) me in.
6. I _____ (buy) a laptop if I save some money.
7. They _____ (not eat) lunch if there's not a vegetarian option.

Remember!

When the if clause is **first**, we use a comma. When the if clause comes **second**, we don't need a comma.

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Exercises

B) Match the sentences with their counterparts.

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| 8. If the shirt isn't dry, | if we get a driver's license. |
| 9. If you pay attention, | what will you wear? |
| 10. What will he do | you'll understand. |
| 11. If you aren't sure, | if there's no traffic. |
| 12. If they bring the speaker, | we'll listen to music. |
| 13. She'll be here in 10 minutes | you'll have to ask. |
| 14. We will drive this car | if he doesn't get a pension? |

C) Complete these superstitions.

15. If you _____ (open) an umbrella indoors, it _____ (bring) bad luck.
16. Something bad _____ (happen) to you if you _____ (walk) under a ladder.
17. If the groom _____ (see) the bride before the wedding, they _____ (have) an unhappy marriage.
18. If someone _____ (pass) you the salt in the table, you both _____ (get) in an argument.

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D) Create your own first conditional sentences with your ideas.



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You won't learn if you don't practice!