Conditionals

Conditional sentences are a fundamental part of English grammar. They express the relationship between two events or situations, one hypothetical and the other real. In this practice, we will focus on the four main conditional types and their use in everyday situations.

Type 0: Present Real Conditional

This type of conditional is used to describe things that are **generally true or always happen in a particular situation**. The format for this type of conditional is "if + present simple, present simple".

Example: If you heat water to 100 degrees Celsius, it boils.

Practice: Complete the following sentences with the correct form of the verb in parentheses.

1. If you (drink) too much coffee, you might have trouble sleeping.

   - _____

2. If it (rain), I'll stay home and read a book.

   - _____

3. If you (study) hard, you'll pass the exam.

   - _____

4. If the sun (shine), we'll go for a picnic.

   - _____

Type 1: Present Unreal Conditional

This type of conditional is used to describe things that **are possible or likely to happen in the future.** The format for this type of conditional is "if + present simple, future simple".

Example: If it rains tomorrow, I will stay at home.

Practice: Complete the following sentences with the correct form of the verb in parentheses.

1. If I (have) time, I'll visit my grandparents.

   • _____

2. If she (study) hard, she will pass the exam.

   • _____

3. If you (go) to bed early, you'll feel better in the morning.

   • _____

4. If it (snow), we'll go skiing.

   • _____

Type 2: Past Unreal Conditional

This type of conditional is used to describe **things that are unlikely or impossible to happen in the present or future**. The format for this type of conditional is

"if + past simple, would + infinitive".

Example: If I won the lottery, I would buy a house.

Practice: Complete the following sentences with the correct form of the verb in parentheses.

1. If I (be) taller, I would have played basketball.
   • _____

2. If she (have) more money, she would travel around the world.
   • _____

3. If it (not rain) yesterday, we would have gone to the beach.
   • _____

4. If I (know) his phone number, I would call him.
   • _____

This type of conditional is used to describe things that **did not happen in the past.** The format for this type of conditional is

"if + past perfect, would have + past participle".

Example: If I had studied harder, I would have passed the exam.

Practice: Complete the following sentences with the correct form of the verb in parentheses.

1. If I (not forget) my passport, I would have gone on vacation.

   • _____

2. If he (arrive) earlier, he would have caught the train.

   • _____

3. If we (not miss) the bus, we would have arrived on time.

   • _____

4. If she (not lose) her keys, she would have been able to open the door.

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