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15 **Listen and repeat. Then act out.**





	If-clause	Main clause	Use
Type 0 general truth	**If / When + present simple**	**present simple**	something which is always true, laws of nature
	*If you **heat** metal, it **melts**.*		
Type 1 real present	**If + any present form** (present simple, present continuous, present perfect or present perfect continuous)	**future / imperative / *can* / *may* / *might* / *must* / *could* / *should* + bare infinitive**	real – likely to happen in the present or future
	*If he **leaves** early, he'**ll be** on time for the meeting. If you'**re** tired, **go** to bed.* *If you **have finished** your work, we **can go** for a walk.*		
Type 2 unreal present	**If + past simple or past continuous**	***would* / *could* / *might* + bare infinitive**	imaginary situation contrary to facts in the present; also used to give advice
	*If I **saw** a ghost, I **would run** away. (but I haven't seen a ghost – untrue in the present)* *If **I were** you, I **wouldn't go** out that late. (advice)*		
Type 3 unreal past	**If + past perfect or past perfect continuous**	***would* / *could* / *might* + have + past participle**	imaginary situation in the past; also used to express regrets and criticism
	*If I **had closed** the window, we **wouldn't have been** robbed. (but I didn't close the window – untrue in the past)* *If he **hadn't been behaving** so badly, well, the teacher **wouldn't have punished** him. (criticism)*		

- **When the *if*-clause is before the main clause, we separate the two clauses with a comma.**
  ***If** you **come** early, we **can go** for a walk.* **BUT** *We **can go** for a walk **if** you **come** early.*
- **We do not normally use will, would or should in an *if*-clause.**
  ***If** you **hurry**, you **will catch** the train.* (NOT: ~~*If you will hurry, you will ...*~~)
- **However, we can use will or would after if to make a polite request or express insistence or uncertainty. We can use should after if to talk about something which is possible but not very likely to happen.**
  ***If** you **will fill in** the form, I'll process your application. (Will you please fill in ... – polite request)*
  ***If** you **will not stop** shouting, you will have to leave. (If you insist on shouting ... – insistence)*
  *I don't know if I **will pass** my driving test. (uncertainty)*
  ***If** I **should see** her, I'll ask her. (I don't think it's very likely I will see her)*

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- **In the *if*-clause of Type 2 conditionals, we can use were instead of was in all persons.** *If I **was/were** you, I would try harder.*
- **We can use unless instead of if ... not in the *if*-clause of Type 1 conditionals. The verb is always in the affirmative after unless.** ***Unless** she **studies**, she won't pass her test. (=if she **doesn't study**, he won't pass her test.)*
- ***As long as, providing / provided that* can be used instead of *if*.**
  ***As long as** he's on time, we won't be late for the meeting. (If he's on time ... .)*
  *We'll come by car **providing / provided that** Dad lends us his. (... if Dad lends us ... .)*

1 Match the sentences in column A with those in column B to make *Type 0 conditional* sentences as in the example:

1 e	Leave milk out of the fridge.	a You get five.
2	Put wood in water.	b It falls to the ground.
3	Throw a ball up into the air.	c You get purple.
4	Mix red and blue.	d It floats.
5	Add two and three.	e It goes off.

1-e *If you **leave** milk out of the fridge, it **goes** off.*

2 Make *Type 1 conditional* sentences as in the example:



1 train it / it learn to obey commands
If you train it, it will learn to obey commands.
2 put something in its mouth / it eat it
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3 programme it / it walk
.....
4 touch its head / it wag its tail
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5 ask / it questions / it nod or shake its head
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6 it hear someone coming / it roar
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3 a) Complete the sentences to make *Type 2 conditional* sentences.

1 If I met my favourite film star, *I'd be so excited.*
2 If I lost my pet, ...
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3 If I wanted to lose weight, ...
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4 If I saw someone cheating in a test, ...
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5 If I was able to travel back in time, ...
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6 If I found €20 outside a shop, ...
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b) In pairs, compare your answers to Ex. 3a.

What would you do if you met your favourite film star?

If I met my favourite film star, I'd ask for an autograph. What about you?

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4 **Look at the pictures and the ideas and make *Type 3 conditional* sentences as in the example:**



1 not buy / guitar → not learn / play one.
If Jeff hadn't bought a guitar, he wouldn't have learnt how to play one.
2 not learn / play guitar → not join / band
3 not join / band → not be asked / play at party
4 not be asked / play at party → not meet / band manager
5 not meet / band manager → not sign contract / record company

5 **Look at the pictures then use the ideas to write *conditional* sentences. What type is each sentence?**



1 I passed my driving test. My father let me borrow his car.

If I hadn't passed my driving test, my father wouldn't have let me borrow his car. (Type 3)

2 Plants have to get enough sunlight. They die.

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3 I must finish my essay first. Then I'll come to the cinema with you.

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4 Mum is still working. We can't go to the park.

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5 David missed the bus this morning. He was late for work.

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6 Pour oil into water. It floats.

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