

CONDITIONAL CLAUSES

Likely To Happen Today Or In The Future



CONDITION	RESULT
I save enough money,	I will buy that mansion.
PRESENT SIMPLE	WILL + VERB

1st
Conditional

Unlikely To Happen Today Or In the Future



CONDITION	RESULT
I saved a lot of money,	I would buy that mansion.
SIMPLE PAST	WOULD + VERB

2nd
Conditional

Already Passed. Will Never Happen!



CONDITION	RESULT
I had won the lottery,	I would have bought that mansion.
HAD+PAST PERFECT	WOULD HAVE + PAST PARTICIPLE

3rd
Conditional

FILL THE GAPS WITH THE CORRECT VERB FORM:

- I don't think she's worried about us. If she (be) worried, she (phone) or something.
- I have an appointment at 3.30 tomorrow. If I (manage) to finish before 4.30, I (do) the shopping on my way back.
- Tom missed his flight. He (get) to the airport on time if he (not oversleep)
- If I (have) such a large house as yours, I (invite) all my friends for the weekend.
- If the child (not be playing) with matches, he (not burn) himself. Now he's in hospital.
- She's so shy. If she (talk) to people, she (make) friends.
- So, you're seeing Terry tonight. If he (ask) you about me, (not, tell) him I'm going out with John.
- If a machine (be) properly maintained, it (fail, never)
- We (invite) him if we (know) his address, but he never gave it to us.

10.- Unless I (have) a problem, I (bother, never) my friends.

11.- You're very strong. If you (try), you (win),... your opponent.

12.- Look what you've done. If you (be) careful, you (not, break) all those glasses.

13.- I was so stupid! Nothing (happened) if I (not, moved) to his flat.

14.- She's a bit short. If he (be) taller he (can) play basket.

15.- Sorry. I (lend) you the money you need if I (have) it.

16.- The bus is full up. If there (be) an empty seat, I (sit) down.

17.- Why didn't you go to the police station? If you (report) the theft, they (can arrest) the robbers.

18.- I (leave) him a message if he (not, be) home when I phone.

COMPLETE THE SENTENCES WITH YOUR OWN WORDS AND WRITE WHICH TYPE

IT IS:

1.- She would have never left her job if ...

2.- The workers would go on strike if ...

3.- They won't come to the wedding if ...

4.- If there weren't so much traffic, ...

5.- If Harry had got up earlier, ...

6.- If little children have pets, ...

7.- You'll improve your English if ...

8.- People call the fire brigade if ...

9.- Everybody will stare at you if ...

10.- You'll need a lawyer if ...

IF TO UNLESS CONVERSION

- 1.- If nobody helps me, I'll get into trouble.
I'll get into trouble unless somebody helps me.
- 2.- I won't know anything about my friends if they don't write to me.
- 3.- They wouldn't have bothered you if they hadn't needed your help.
- 4.- If there isn't a traffic jam, we'll be home by five o'clock.
- 5.- People don't go to the doctor if they aren't ill.
- 6.- I'll punish you if you don't tell me the truth.
- 7.- They won't invite you to their party if they don't know your phone number.
- 8.- They won't give you the job if they don't like your appearance.
- 9.- If you don't finish your homework now, I won't let you watch TV.
- 10.- I won't phone you if there isn't anything urgent.
- 11.- I wouldn't invest all this money if I weren't sure I would get it back.
- 12.- If you don't get up early, you'll miss your train.
- 13.- I wouldn't have asked him any questions if he hadn't been ready to answer them.
- 14.- We won't go fishing if the weather isn't fine.
- 15.- I won't ask him to write if he doesn't want to.

CIRCLE THE RIGHT OPTION:

1.- if we TAKE / WILL TAKE a taxi, we WILL ARRIVE / ARRIVED sooner.

2.- You WOULDN'T GET / DIDN'T GET wet if you WOULD HAVE WORN / WERE WEARING a coat.

3.- If our team HAD SCORED / SCORED more goals, it HAD WON / COULD HAVE WON.

4.- I HAD GIVEN / WOULD HAVE GIVEN you the news if you PHONED / HAD PHONED me yesterday.

5.- If you TOOK / WOULD HAVE TAKEN more exercise, you MIGHT FEEL / HAD FELT better

6.- If Tim DROVE / HAD DRIVEN more carefully, he WOULDN'T HAVE CRASHED / DIDN'T CRASH.

7.- If we ARE/WOULD BE LATE for class, our teacher WILL BE / WAS angry.

8.- If we LIVED / WOULD LIVE on another planet, we WOULD SEE / WILL SEE the Earth in the sky.

9.- If we WERE / ARE birds, we WOULD BE ABLE / ARE ABLE to fly.

10.- If you DON'T WEAR / WOULDN'T WEAR your pullover, you WILL FEEL / FELT cold.

11.- If I HAD / WOULD HAVE lots of money, I WOULD GIVE / GAVE some to all my friends.

CORRECT THE MISTAKES

1.- If you'd be more sensible, you didn't think about such stupid things.

2.- Unless I don't have any problem, I won't bother you.

3.- Would you help me if you can?

4.- I'd have bought her a present if she invited me to her birthday party.

5.- Nobody had noticed if you left the party before the others.

6.- If he had been a vegetarian, he wouldn't eat meat.

7.- If you came to my party, you'll enjoy yourself.

8.- I wouldn't look up his phone number in the directory if I know it.

9.- She wouldn't spend her savings unless it weren't necessary.

10.- Would he win de contest if he had entered for it?

ANSWER KEY

EXERCISE 1

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| 1. were | would phone |
| 2. manage | will do |
| 3. would have got | hadn't overslept |
| 4. had | would invite |
| 5. hadn't been playing | wouldn't have burnt |
| 6. talked | would make |
| 7. asks | don't tell |
| 8. is | never fails |
| 9. would have invited | had known |
| 10. have | never bother |
| 11. try | will win |
| 12. had been | wouldn't have broken |
| 13. would have happened | hadn't moved |
| 14. were | could |
| 15. would lend | had |
| 16. were | would sit |
| 17. had reported | could have arrested |
| 18. will leave | isn't |

EXERCISE 2 (POSSIBLE ANSWERS)

1. she had been well-paid (3)
2. their demands weren't met (2)
3. they don't get the invitation on time (1)
4. I would give you a lift (2)
5. he would have arrived on time (3)
6. they develop a sense of responsibility (0)
7. you spend some time in Britain (1)
8. there is a fire in the house (0)
9. you wear those clothes (1)
10. you have any legal problem (1)

EXERCISE 3

1. .
2. I won't know anything about my friends unless they write to me
3. They wouldn't have bothered you unless they had needed your help
4. I'll be home by 5 o'clock unless there's a traffic jam
5. People don't go to the doctor unless they are ill
6. I'll punish you unless you tell me the truth
7. They won't invite you to their party unless they have your phone number
8. They won't give you the job unless they like your appearance
9. I won't let you watch TV unless you finish your homework
10. I won't phone you unless there's something urgent
11. I wouldn't invest all this money unless I was sure I would get it back
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EXERCISE 4

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| 1. take | will arrive |
| 2. wouldn't get | were wearing |
| 3. had scored | could have won |
| 4. would have given | had phoned |
| 5. took | might feel |
| 6. had driven | wouldn't have crashed |
| 7. are | will be |
| 8. lived | would see |
| 9. were | would be able to |
| 10. don't wear | will feel |
| 11. had | would give |

EXERCISE 5

(there is more than one option)

1. If you were more sensible, you wouldn't think such stupid things
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5. Nobody would notice if you left the party before the others
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