

IF CLAUSES

GENERAL REVISION

ZERO / FIRST CONDITIONAL

REAL, GENERAL OR SITUATIONAL

ZERO CONDITIONAL

- ▶ **Usage** : Habits or fact, something that happens generally.
- ▶ **Syntax**: IF + Present Simple + Present Simple
IF + Past Simple + Past Simple
IF can be replaced by **WHEN** or **UNLESS**

Ex : If it rains, I take an umbrella

If I failed a test, I studied harder for the next one



FIRST CONDITIONAL

- ▶ **Usage:** specific real situations in the present or future
- ▶ **Syntax:** IF + Present Simple + Future
- ▶ IF may be replaced by **When, Unless**

- ▶ **Ex** : If John **doesn't come** to the party, I **will get** angry
- ▶ If you **come** earlier, you **will help** me
- ▶ He **will join** in, unless he **has** got something to do



SECOND/THIRD CONDITIONAL

UNREAL , GENERAL OR SITUATIONAL

SECOND CONDITIONAL

- ▶ **Usage** : Unreal situations in the Present or Future
- ▶ **Syntax**: IF + Simple Past + Conditional
In if clause, **were** is used as both singular and plural.

Ex: If I **were** a movie star I **would earn** a lot of money.

If I **won** in the lottery, I **would buy** a house



THIRD CONDITIONAL

- ▶ **Usage** : «Unreal» developments of specific situations in the past.
- ▶ **Syntax** : IF + Past perfect + Perfect Conditional
- ▶ IF can be omitted from the sentence

- ▶ **Examples** : If I **had gone** to university, I **could have become** a teacher . (But I did not)
- ▶ **Had I gone** to university, I **could have become** a teacher.



IN SHORT

▶ If Clause

Main Clause

▶ 1st COND: he drinks

he will get

▶ 2nd COND: he drank

he would get

▶ 3rd COND: he had drunk

he would have got



MIXED CONDITIONALS

- ▶ **Usage:** Type 1. Situations in the past affecting the present
 - ▶ **Syntax:** If + Past Perfect , Present Conditional
 - ▶ **Ex** : If I **had studied** harder, I **would have** a better job

 - ▶ **Usage:** Type 2. Situations in the present affecting the past.
 - ▶ **Syntax:** If + Past Simple , Perfect Conditional
 - ▶ **Ex** : If I **was** better at cooking, I **would have had** a much better diet during my studies at the university.
 - ▶ If I **wasn't** afraid of spiders, I **would have picked** one yesterday on the train.
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IF

- ▶ If you can keep your head when all about you
 - ▶ Are losing theirs and blaming it on you,
- ▶ If you can trust yourself when all men doubt you,
 - ▶ But make allowance for their doubting too;
 - ▶ If you can wait and not be tired by waiting,
 - ▶ Or being lied about, don't deal in lies,
 - ▶ Or being hated, don't give way to hating,
 - ▶ And yet don't look too good, nor talk too wise:

- ▶ If you can dream—and not make dreams your master;
- ▶ If you can think—and not make thoughts your aim;
 - ▶ If you can meet with Triumph and Disaster
 - ▶ And treat those two impostors just the same;
 - ▶ If you can bear to hear the truth you've spoken
 - ▶ Twisted by knaves to make a trap for fools,
 - ▶ Or watch the things you gave your life to, broken,
 - ▶ And stoop and build 'em up with worn-out tools:



IF

- ▶ If you can make one heap of all your winnings
 - ▶ And risk it on one turn of pitch-and-toss,
 - ▶ And lose, and start again at your beginnings
 - ▶ And never breathe a word about your loss;
 - ▶ If you can force your heart and nerve and sinew
 - ▶ To serve your turn long after they are gone,
 - ▶ And so hold on when there is nothing in you
 - ▶ Except the Will which says to them: 'Hold on!'

 - ▶ If you can talk with crowds and keep your virtue,
 - ▶ Or walk with Kings—nor lose the common touch,
 - ▶ If neither foes nor loving friends can hurt you,
 - ▶ If all men count with you, but none too much;
 - ▶ If you can fill the unforgiving minute
 - ▶ With sixty seconds' worth of distance run,
 - ▶ Yours is the Earth and everything that's in it,
 - ▶ And—which is more—you'll be a Man, my son!
 - ▶ Rudyard Kipling
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