

# Conditional Type 0, I, II & III

## Remember this:

If + subject + past perfect + subject  
+ would (not) have + past participle

The conditionals are used to talk about real and unreal situations. They are often called "if-clause."

### Conditional 0

**Form** : If + subject + simple present + subject + simple present

**Use** : **Conditional 0** is used to talk about general truths, scientific facts or things which are always true.

For example :

- 1- If you mix water and oil, oil goes up.
- 2- If you heat butter, it melts.

### Conditional I

**Form** : If + subject + simple present + subject + simple future

**Use** : **Conditional I** is used to talk about real conditional; something that is possible and likely to happen in the future.

For example :

- 1- If I find David's phone number, I will call him.
- 2- If you work hard, you will succeed.

### Conditional II

**Form** : If + subject + simple past + subject + would + verb

**Use** : **Conditional II** is used to talk about something that's impossible or unlikely to happen at that moment; unreal conditional. For example :

- 1- If I had money, I would help you. (but I don't have any money at that moment.)
- 2- If I were tall, I would join the basketball team. (but in reality I am short)

**Form** : If + subject + past perfect + subject + would (not) have + past participle

**Use** : **Conditional III** is used to express conditions in the past that didn't happen. Often used to express regrets or criticism.

For example :

- 1- If I had driven slowly, I wouldn't have had an accident (but in reality I didn't drive slowly and I had an accident; expressing sort of regrets.)
- 2- If you had worked hard, you would have passed your exams. (but in reality you didn't work hard and you failed your exams; expressing here criticism.)

### Conditional III

**EXERCISE 1** Re-write these sentences as suggested.

1. If you (to boil) \_\_\_\_\_ water, it (evaporate) \_\_\_\_\_.
2. If you (heat) \_\_\_\_\_ ice, it (melt) \_\_\_\_\_.
3. If you (not, water) \_\_\_\_\_ trees, they (die) \_\_\_\_\_.
4. If it (rain) \_\_\_\_\_, the grass (get) \_\_\_\_\_ wet.
5. If you (mingle) \_\_\_\_\_ water and oil, oil (go) \_\_\_\_\_ up.

**EXERCISE 2** Re-write these sentences as suggested.

1. If I (have) \_\_\_\_\_ money, I (buy) \_\_\_\_\_ a car.
2. If you (not, hurry) \_\_\_\_\_, you (miss) \_\_\_\_\_ the bus.
3. If you (invite) \_\_\_\_\_ him, he (come) \_\_\_\_\_.

4. If he(work) \_\_\_\_\_ hard, he (succeed) \_\_\_\_\_.
5. If you (not, leave) \_\_\_\_\_ now, I (call) \_\_\_\_\_ the police.

**EXERCISE 3** Re-write these sentences as suggested.

1. I can't travel because I don't have a passport.  
If \_\_\_\_\_
2. I don't have his phone number. So, I can't call him.  
If \_\_\_\_\_
3. I can't buy a Ferrari because I am not rich.  
If \_\_\_\_\_
4. He doesn't have time. So, he can't help you.  
If \_\_\_\_\_
5. Peter can't come because he is sick.  
If \_\_\_\_\_

**EXERCISE 4** Re-write these sentences as suggested.

1. She didn't find Steve's phone number. So, she didn't call him.  
If \_\_\_\_\_
2. The children were sick. That's why, we didn't go on a picnic.  
If \_\_\_\_\_
3. It started to rain. That's why, we didn't walk to the forest.  
If \_\_\_\_\_
4. The professor spoke fast. So, I could not understand his lecture.  
If \_\_\_\_\_
5. Sara's father lost the job. That's why, she dropped out of school.  
If \_\_\_\_\_
6. I can't send you the invitation because I don't have your address.  
If \_\_\_\_\_

### EXERCISE 1 Rewrite these sentences as suggested. (8Pts)

1. He didn't wear his jacket yesterday. That's why, he caught a bad cold.

If \_\_\_\_\_

2. I didn't work hard last year. That's why, I didn't get a lot of money.

If \_\_\_\_\_

3. The weather was terrible. So, the referee stopped the match.

If \_\_\_\_\_

4. You didn't hear about the president's death because you didn't watch last TV news.

If \_\_\_\_\_

5. She couldn't join the music band because she was not good at the piano.

If \_\_\_\_\_

6. I didn't have enough money. So, I couldn't take my family to the restaurant.

If \_\_\_\_\_

7. She didn't correct her mistakes. That's why, she got a bad mark in the exam.

If \_\_\_\_\_

8. Maria didn't have a yacht. So, she could not sail along the river.

If \_\_\_\_\_

### EXERCISE 2 Re-write these sentences as suggested. (8 Pts)

1. We couldn't go to the stadium because we lost our tickets.

If \_\_\_\_\_

2. Melisa had no eggs. So, she couldn't make you your favourite cake.

If \_\_\_\_\_

3. I couldn't explain to you the lesson because I didn't understand it.

If \_\_\_\_\_

4. My father needed money. That's why, he sold his car last month.

If \_\_\_\_\_

5. He was lazy. That's why, he didn't pass his final exams.

If \_\_\_\_\_

6. We threw garbage everywhere. That's why, we suffered from pollution.

If \_\_\_\_\_

7. She couldn't communicate with Americans because she didn't learn English at school.

If \_\_\_\_\_

8. My sister forgot to close the cage. So, the bird flew away last night.

If \_\_\_\_\_

### EXERCISE 3 Complete these sentences with the right form. (4Pts)

1. If we (tell) \_\_\_\_\_ his father the truth, he wouldn't have been angry.

2. If I (to know) \_\_\_\_\_ how to word-process, I would have helped you write it.

3. If you had had the membership card, you (have) \_\_\_\_\_ access to the internet.

4. If she had sent the message earlier, she (join) \_\_\_\_\_ you at the club.

5. If he (not, eat) \_\_\_\_\_ much, he wouldn't have felt a stomach ache.

6. If you (fill in) \_\_\_\_\_ this application form correctly, they wouldn't have refused it.

7. If my mother (take) \_\_\_\_\_ an aspirin, she (not, have) \_\_\_\_\_ a headache now.