

# The First Conditional

Exercise worksheet with mixed practice, sentence building, and a teacher's answer key

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## Quick reminder

### If + present simple, will + infinitive

- Use the first conditional for real and possible future situations.
- If the if-clause comes first, use a comma: If it rains, we'll stay at home.
- Do not use will after if: If I see her, I'll tell her.

## Exercise 1 • Complete the sentences

Complete each sentence using the correct form of the verb in brackets.

1. If you \_\_\_\_\_ (study) every day, you \_\_\_\_\_ (pass) the exam.
2. If it \_\_\_\_\_ (rain) this afternoon, we \_\_\_\_\_ (cancel) the picnic.
3. She \_\_\_\_\_ (feel) better if she \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to bed earlier.
4. If my brother \_\_\_\_\_ (call), I \_\_\_\_\_ (tell) him the news.
5. We \_\_\_\_\_ (miss) the bus if we \_\_\_\_\_ (not leave) now.
6. If they \_\_\_\_\_ (finish) the project on time, the manager \_\_\_\_\_ (be) pleased.
7. You \_\_\_\_\_ (get) wet if you \_\_\_\_\_ (not take) an umbrella.
8. If I \_\_\_\_\_ (see) Julia tomorrow, I \_\_\_\_\_ (give) her your message.
9. He \_\_\_\_\_ (not improve) if he \_\_\_\_\_ (not practise) speaking English.
10. If the shop \_\_\_\_\_ (be) open, I \_\_\_\_\_ (buy) some bread on the way home.

## Exercise 2 • Choose the best word

Choose the best option: *if, when, unless, as soon as, or as long as.*

1. \_\_\_\_\_ you finish your homework, you can watch television.
2. I'll text you \_\_\_\_\_ I arrive at the station.
3. We won't go to the park \_\_\_\_\_ the weather improves.
4. \_\_\_\_\_ you need any help, just let me know.
5. You can borrow my laptop \_\_\_\_\_ you're careful with it.
6. I'll make dinner \_\_\_\_\_ you get home from work.
7. She won't pass the test \_\_\_\_\_ she revises properly.
8. Take a bottle of water \_\_\_\_\_ you get thirsty later.

### Exercise 3 · Correct the mistakes

*Each sentence contains one mistake. Rewrite it correctly.*

1. If he will hurry, he will catch the train.
2. If it will be sunny tomorrow, we'll go to the beach.
3. Unless you will apologise, she won't speak to you.
4. If I finish early I'll call you.
5. As soon as she will arrive, we'll start dinner.
6. If they don't leave now, they miss the bus.
7. I'll lend you the book if I will find it.
8. If you not listen carefully, you'll make mistakes.

### Exercise 4 · Match the sentence halves

*Match 1–8 with a–h to make logical first conditional sentences.*

Beginning	Ending
1. If you don't set an alarm,	a. I'll charge it at work.
2. If the teacher gives us homework,	b. they'll reach the final.
3. If my phone battery dies,	c. you'll turn the machine on.
4. If we book today,	d. we'll get a cheaper fare.
5. If she doesn't eat something,	e. I'll finish the report.
6. If they win this match,	f. she'll feel faint.
7. If I have enough time tonight,	g. we'll do it after dinner.
8. If you press this button,	h. you'll oversleep.

### Exercise 5 · Make first conditional sentences

*Use the prompts to write full first conditional sentences.*

1. you / not leave now / you / be late
2. if / she / practise every day / she / improve quickly
3. we / order online / they / deliver it tomorrow
4. if / I / not hear from him / I / send an email
5. they / be disappointed / if / the concert / be cancelled
6. if / the children / finish their chores / they / can play outside

### Exercise 6 · Personalise it

*Complete the sentences with your own ideas. Use the first conditional.*

1. If I have free time this weekend, \_\_\_\_\_.
2. If my English improves this year, \_\_\_\_\_.
3. If it rains tomorrow, \_\_\_\_\_.
4. If I wake up early tomorrow, \_\_\_\_\_.
5. If I feel tired this evening, \_\_\_\_\_.
6. If I need help with my homework, \_\_\_\_\_.

## Teacher's Answer Key

*Suggested answers are given below. Accept other grammatically correct answers where appropriate.*

### Exercise 1

1. If you study every day, you will pass the exam.
2. If it rains this afternoon, we will cancel the picnic.
3. She will feel better if she goes to bed earlier.
4. If my brother calls, I will tell him the news.
5. We will miss the bus if we do not leave now.
6. If they finish the project on time, the manager will be pleased.
7. You will get wet if you do not take an umbrella.
8. If I see Julia tomorrow, I will give her your message.
9. He will not improve if he does not practise speaking English.
10. If the shop is open, I will buy some bread on the way home.

### Exercise 2

1. As soon as
2. when
3. unless
4. if
5. as long as
6. when
7. unless
8. in case

### Exercise 3

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### Exercise 4

1. 1-h
2. 2-g
3. 3-a
4. 4-d
5. 5-f
6. 6-b
7. 7-e
8. 8-c

### Exercise 5

1. If you do not leave now, you will be late.
2. If she practises every day, she will improve quickly.

3. If we order online, they will deliver it tomorrow.
4. If I do not hear from him, I will send an email.
5. They will be disappointed if the concert is cancelled.
6. If the children finish their chores, they can play outside.

### Exercise 6

*Answers will vary. Check that students use **if + present simple** and a correct result clause, usually with **will**.*