



FIRST & SECOND CONDITIONALS

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1. Look at these situations

Read the sentences.

First Conditional	Second Conditional
If it rains tomorrow, I'll stay at home. <i>This describes a real or possible future situation.</i> • If + Present Simple → will + verb • If I have time, I'll call you. • If she studies, she'll pass the test. • If we miss the bus, we'll take a taxi.	If I won the lottery, I'd travel around the world. <i>This describes an imaginary, unlikely or hypothetical situation.</i> • If + Past Simple → would + verb • If I had more money, I'd buy a bigger house. • If I lived near the beach, I'd swim every day. • If he knew the answer, he'd tell us.

2. Compare the meaning

A

If I have enough money, I'll buy a new phone.

This is a real possibility.

B

If I had enough money, I'd buy a new phone.

The speaker probably doesn't have enough money. This is hypothetical.

A

If I study tonight, I'll pass the test.

Possible future situation.

B

If I studied more, I'd get better marks.

Imaginary/hypothetical situation.

3. Choose First or Second Conditional

Write **1** or **2**.

- If I won the lottery, I'd buy a house. _____
- If I finish work early, I'll meet you for coffee. _____
- If she studied harder, she'd get better results. _____
- If we miss the train, we'll take a taxi. _____
- If I had more free time, I'd learn another language. _____
- If he calls me tonight, I'll tell him the news. _____
- If they lived closer, we'd see them more often. _____
- If the weather is good tomorrow, we'll go to the beach. _____

4. Complete the sentences

Use the correct form.

1. If I have time tonight, I _____ (watch) a film.
2. If I won €1 million, I _____ (buy) a house.
3. If she studies hard, she _____ (pass) the exam.
4. If I were you, I _____ (talk) to the manager.
5. If we miss the bus, we _____ (take) a taxi.
6. If he had more experience, he _____ (get) the job.
7. If it rains tomorrow, we _____ (stay) home.
8. If I lived in London, I _____ (use) public transport every day.

REAL ENGLISH BOX

In everyday English, we often make suggestions with:

If I were you, I'd...

If I were you, I'd talk to your teacher.

If I were you, I'd wait until tomorrow.

It means:

"This is what I would do in your situation."

Teacher's Key

Activity 3

1. 2
2. 1
3. 2
4. 1
5. 2
6. 1
7. 2
8. 1

Activity 4

1. will watch
2. would buy
3. will pass
4. would talk
5. will take
6. would get
7. will stay
8. would use