

The Four Conditionals in English.

AND HOW TO REMEMBER EACH!



SECOND CONDITIONAL



IF I DRANK COFFEE TONIGHT, I
WOULDN'T SLEEP WELL.

UNREAL
POSSIBILITY

THIRD CONDITIONAL



IF I HAD DRUNK COFFEE LAST
NIGHT, I WOULDN'T HAVE SLEPT
WELL.

IMPOSSIBILITY



FIRST CONDITIONAL



IF I DRINK COFFEE TONIGHT, I
WON'T SLEEP WELL.

REAL POSSIBILITY

ZERO CONDITIONAL



IF I DRINK COFFEE AT
NIGHT, I DON'T SLEEP
WELL.

CERTAINTY

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Conditionals



NO PROBABILITY
A LOW PROBABILITY
A PROBABILITY
A HIGH PROBABILITY

ZERO Conditional

Used to talk about things that are generally true or scientific facts.

FIRST Conditional

Used to talk about a possible condition and its probable result in the future.

SECOND Conditional

Used to talk about an unlikely or hypothetical condition and its probable result now or in the future.

THIRD Conditional

Used to talk about an imaginary condition and its probable result in the past.

IF CLAUSE

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MAIN CLAUSE

If + present simple ...

present simple

If the weather is good,
If it rains,
If you freeze water,

I go to the beach.
the grass gets wet.
it turns into ice.

If + present simple ...

will + infinitive

If the weather is good tomorrow,
If you don't hurry,
If I have enough time,

I will go to the beach.
you will miss the train.
I will exercise.

If + past simple ...

would + infinitive

If the weather were good,
If I had a lot of money,
If you went to bed earlier,

I would go to the beach.
I would travel around the world.
you wouldn't be so tired.

If + past perfect ...

would have + past participle

If the weather had been good,
If you hadn't eaten so much,
If I had studied harder,

I would have gone to the beach.
you wouldn't have felt sick.
I would have passed the exam.