

GRAMMAR:

Conditional Sentences / If - Clauses Type I, II and III

A. Conditional Sentence Type 1:

→ *It is possible and also very likely that the condition will be fulfilled.*

Form: *If* + Simple Present >>> Future (= will + bare infinitive)

Example: If I **find** her address, I'll **send** her an invitation.

Exercise :

Complete the Conditional Sentences (Type I) by putting the verbs into the correct form.

1. If you (**send**)this letter now, she (**receive**)it tomorrow .
2. If I (**do**)..... this test, I (**improve**)my English.
3. Peggy (**go**) shopping if she (**have**) time in the afternoon.
4. Simon (**go**) to London next week if he (**get**)... a cheap flight.
5. If they (**study / not**)harder, they (**pass / not**)..... the exam.
6. If it (**rain**) tomorrow, I (**have to / not**)..... water the plants.

B. Conditional Sentence Type 2:

→ *It is possible but very unlikely, that the condition will be fulfilled.*

Form: *if* + Simple Past >>> Conditional (= would + bare infinitive)

Example: If I **found** her address, I **would send** her an invitation.

Exercise :

Complete the Conditional Sentences (Type II) by putting the verbs into the correct form.

1. If I (**be**) rich, my life (**change**).....completely.
2. I (**invite**)all my friends if (**have**)..... a house by the beach.
3. If we (**have**) a yacht, we (**sail**).....the seven seas.
4. If they (**tell**) their father, he (**be**) very angry.
5. We (**help**) you if we (**know**) how.
6. My brother (**buy**)a sports car if he (**have**) the money.

C. Conditional Sentence Type 3:

→ *It is impossible that the condition will be fulfilled because it refers to the past.*

Form: *if* + Past Perfect, Conditional II (= would + have + Past Participle)

Example: **If I had found** her address, I **would have sent** her an invitation.

Exercise :

Complete the Conditional Sentences (Type III) by putting the verbs into the correct form.

1. If you (**study**) for the test, you (**pass**)..... it.
2. If you (**ask**)me, I (**help**) you.
3. If you (**speak**) English, she (**understand**)
4. I (**write**)you a postcard if I (**have**).....your address.
5. If it (**not/ start**) to rain, we (**walk**) to the museum.
6. If she (**take**) the bus, she (**not / arrive**) on time.

Answer 3:

Key :

Exercise

1:

Exercise

2:

Exercise

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1. send /
will
receive
2. do / will
improve
3. will go /
has
4. will go /
gets
5. don't
study /
will not
pass
6. rains /
will not
have to

1. were /
would
change
2. would
invite /
had
3. had /
would
sail
4. told /
would be
5. would
help /
knew
6. would
buy / had

1. had
studied /
would
have
passed
2. had asked
/ would
have
helped
3. had
spoken /
would
have
understood
4. would
have
written /
had had
5. hadn't
started /
would
have
walked
6. had taken
/ wouldn't
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