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## **DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH**

**19ENB101- COMMUNICATIVE ENGLISH**  
**I YEAR / I SEMESTER**

**UNIT 1: FUNCTIONAL GRAMMAR**

**TOPIC : IF Conditionals**



# IF CONDITIONALS

❖ A conditional sentence has two parts such as **If clause** and **Main Clause**.

❖ Usually the **condition** is expressed in **if clause**.

If Clause	Main Clause
if it rains	I'll stay at Home





# TYPES OF CONDITIONALS



- ❖ There are **four conditional** sentences in English
- ❖ **Type 1: Open or Probable Condition**
- ❖ **Type 2: Improbable or imaginary Condition**
- ❖ **Type 3: Impossible or Unfulfilled**
- ❖ **Type 4: Zero Condition**



## OPEN or PROBABLE CONDITION

### If Clause

*if + present simple*

### Main Clause

modal verb with future meaning  
(*shall/should/will/would/can/could/may/might*)

### Examples:



If I go to Delhi,  
If Clause+Pre

I will Visit Tajmahal  
Main Clause





# IMPROBABLE or IMAGINARY CONDITION



## If Clause

*if + Past Simple*

## Main Clause

*modal verb with future-in-the-past meaning  
(should/would/might/could)*

## Examples



If I were a bird,  
If Clause+Past

I would fly in the sky  
Main Clause





## ASSESSMENT



**Complete these conditional sentences with a suitable form. Use conditional types 1,2,3&4 and write next to each sentence which type of conditional is:**

- a) If I were you, would marry him.
- b) If I had known, I would have lent you my car.
- c) Will you call me if you are free?
- d) Would you buy this car if you had enough money?
- e) I will watch the match if I have enough time.
- f) If you turn the tap, water pours.
- g) If I get there on time, I will call you.



# UNFULFILLED or IMPOSSIBLE CONDITION



If Clause	Main Clause
<i>if + Past perfect (had)</i>	modal verb with future-in-the-past meaning <i>(should/would/might/could) + have + -ed form</i>

## Examples

If I had written my exams well well, I would have passed my exams

If Clause+Past.perfect

Main Clause





# ZERO CONDITION

If Clause	Main Clause
<i>if + Present simple</i>	<i>Present simple</i>

## Examples



If I over sleep,  
If Clause+pre

I miss the bus  
Main Clause







## ASSESSMENT-1



### Insert the correct form of the verbs in brackets:

1. If I \_\_\_\_ (see) John, I'll tell him your news.
2. If you \_\_\_\_ (go) to town on Monday, you \_\_\_\_ (meet) my brother.
3. If you \_\_\_\_ (need) help, my father \_\_\_\_ (help) you.
4. Her health \_\_\_\_ (improve) if she \_\_\_\_ (sleep) longer.
5. If he \_\_\_\_ (promise) to behave in future, his mother \_\_\_\_ (forgive) him.
6. If Peter \_\_\_\_ (ask) Mary, I'm sure she \_\_\_\_ (marry) him.



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