

Lesson Five

- To revisit first and second conditional sentences



● Circle the correct form. Tick (✓) if both are possible.

- 1 **A** Dad! I've dropped my ice cream!
B It's OK, don't worry – I'll get / **I'm getting** you a new one!

- 2 **A** I'm freezing!
B **Shall I turn on** / **Will I turn on** the heating?

- 3 **A** We're going for a walk in the country tomorrow.
B **It'll probably rain.** / **It's probably raining.**

- 4 **A** Do you and David have any plans for tomorrow evening?
B Yes, **we're meeting** / **we're going to meet** some friends for dinner.

- 5 **A** Don't forget to send me a message when you get there.
B Don't worry, Mum. **I'm texting** / **I'll text** you as soon as I arrive.



- 6 **A** Excuse me. I ordered still water and this is sparkling.
B I'm sorry, sir. **I'll change** / **I'm going to change** it for you.

- 7 **A** Have you phoned for a taxi?
B Yes, **it comes / it's coming** in five minutes.
- 8 **A** How about going abroad for our holiday this year?
B That sounds good! Where **shall we go / do we go**?
- 9 **A** You don't look very well. Are you OK?
B No. I think **I'm going to be / I'm being** sick.
- 10 **A** Who do you think **will win / is going to win** the World Cup?
B Italy, of course!
- 11 **A** The play starts at 7.30, so we need to be at the theatre by 7.15.
B OK, **I won't be / I'm not being** late this time!
- 12 **A** Did you buy the pizza for tonight?
B Oh sorry! **I was going to go / I'm going to go** to the shop earlier, but my boss called and then I forgot.





GRAMMAR first and second conditionals

 4.18 Listen to the ends of two job interviews. Complete the conditional sentences. Who do you think is going to get the job? 

- 1 If we you the job, when you to start?
- 2 If we you the job, you a lot of training.


Grammar Bank

<https://wordwall.net/play/29189/189/747>



first and second conditionals

first conditional

- 1 If I **have** time, I'll **write** my CV tonight.  4.19
If you **don't work** hard, you **won't get** promoted.
- 2 If he **does** well at school, he **can go** to a good university.
I **might (may) go back** to college if I **can't find** a job.
If you **apply** for a job, you **must prepare** an up-to-date CV.
If you **want** to do well in the exam, you **should work** hard this weekend.
- 3 If you **get** an interview, **think** carefully about what to wear.


- We use the first conditional to talk about a possible future situation and its consequence.
 - 1 The first conditional normally uses *if* + present simple, *will* / *won't* + infinitive.
 - 2 We can also use other modal verbs instead of *will*, e.g. *can*, *might*, *may*, *must*, or *should*.
 - 3 We can also use an imperative instead of *will*.

unless

We can use *unless* instead of *if...not* in conditional sentences.

I won't go unless you go, too. (= I won't go if you don't go, too.)

second conditional

- 1 If I **had** more money, I **wouldn't need** to work overtime.  4.20
If they **offered** you a part-time job, **would** you **take** it?
- 2 I **might meet** more people if I **lived** in a hall of residence.
You **could apply** for a scholarship if you **got** a place to study in the USA.
- 3 If John **was (were)** here, he'd **know** what to do.
I'd **take** it back to the shop if I **were** you.

- We use the second conditional to talk about a hypothetical or imaginary present / future situation, or one that we *don't* think is a possibility.
 - 1 The second conditional normally uses *if* + past simple, *would* / *wouldn't* + infinitive.
 - 2 We can use *might* or *could* instead of *would*.
 - 3 When we use *be* in the *if* clause, we can use *was* or *were* after *I* / *he* / *she* / *it*.
- However, in the phrase *if I were you*, which is often used to give advice, only *were* is used. **NOT** *If I was you*.

First or second conditional

The conditional we use depends on how likely the condition is. Compare:

If I have time, I'll help you. (I think it's a real possibility that I'll have time.)

If I had time, I'd help you. (I think it's unlikely or impossible that I'll have time.)


Let's play kahoot!

Complete the sentences with the verb in brackets.

I wouldn't do research if I didn't enjoy working on my own. (not do)

- 1 If I to stay at university, I'll probably do a PhD or a master's degree. (decide)
- 2 If you didn't spend so much on clothes, you borrow money all the time. (not have to)
- 3 I think my sister and her boyfriend sooner if they could afford to pay for the wedding. (get married)
- 4 If I have time over the summer, I for an internship. (apply)
- 5 I think Andy might get a scholarship if he on working hard. (keep)
- 6 If we a bigger house, we could rent a couple of rooms to students. (buy)
- 7 I might enjoy my job more if I such awful colleagues. (not have)
- 8 If I don't like the job after six months, I . (not stay)
- 9 My tutor says I must attend all the seminars if I to fail my exams. (not want)
- 10 I'd get more job offers if I better qualified. (be)



 **4.21** Listen and write five first conditional sentences giving advice to people looking for work. Do you agree?

Imagine you were in these situations. What would you do? Use a second conditional sentence and say why.

- 1 You are offered a great job abroad.
- 2 Your partner is offered a job abroad, but you don't want to move.
- 3 You have to choose between a well-paid but boring job and a very interesting but badly-paid job.
- 4 You are offered a good job while you are still studying.
- 5 You have to choose between working at night or at weekends.

If I was offered a great job abroad, I'd probably take it because I'd have the opportunity to learn about a new culture.