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B1 CONDITIONALS ≈ 27 MIN

First and Second Conditionals – *practice on paper*

You know the reality test - now reinforce types 1 and 2 with fresh planning and everyday scenarios.

Type 1, real:	if + present simple, will + base verb -	**Type 2, hypothetical:**	if + past simple, would + base verb

NAME _____ DATE _____

YOUR BUILD 1 · SORTING ○ 2 · FILL-IN ○ 3 · CORRECT ○ 4 · WRITE ○

BRICK 1 · SORT BY REALITY · APPROX. 4 MIN ●○○

Sort each situation. Put real, likely future conditions under **type 1**. Put unreal or imagined situations under **type 2**.

- the supplier may confirm the order today
- I do not manage a larger department
- rain is possible before the outdoor event
- an imaginary office on a tropical island
- the stock count may finish before noon
- an imaginary month without internet
- the client is deciding on the pitch this week
- a stress test in which our largest customer leaves
- the courier is expected this afternoon
- a fantasy in which I own the company

TYPE 1 - REAL / LIKELY	TYPE 2 - UNREAL / IMAGINED

BRICK 2 · COMPLETE TYPE 1 OR TYPE 2 · APPROX. 6 MIN ●●○

Put the verb in brackets into the fitting form. First decide whether the condition is realistic or hypothetical.

01 If the server _____ (fail) tonight, we'll use the backup system.
02 If I _____ (have) a larger team, I would divide the project into two groups.
03 If the courier _____ (arrive) before four, I'll bring the package upstairs.
04 If we _____ (lose) the regional contract, we would pause the expansion.
05 If Lena _____ (accept) our offer tomorrow, she'll start in September.
06 If I _____ (be) you, I'd ask for the figures in writing.
07 If the budget _____ (allow) it next quarter, we'll add a second workshop.
08 If I _____ (live) nearer the office, I would cycle there every day.

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BRICK 3 · FIND AND CORRECT THE MISTAKE · APPROX. 7 MIN

Each sentence contains exactly one mistake in its form or connector. Underline it and rewrite the complete conditional correctly.

01 If the delivery will arrive today, we'll update the customer.

02 If I would know the answer, I would tell you immediately.

03 When I had unlimited office space, I would create a quiet room.

04 If we won the contract next week, we'll recruit another designer.

05 If you were in my position, you will ask the supplier for a written estimate.

06 If Maya would accept the promotion, she would lead the new unit.

BRICK 4 · WRITE REAL AND IMAGINED RESULTS · APPROX. 8 MIN

Write your own English sentence for each prompt. Check the tense after if and will or would in the result clause.

01 A real project risk: give one possible condition for next week and its likely result.

02 A hypothetical team: describe what you would do differently with more staff.

03 Advice to a colleague: use a second conditional.

04 An expected time and an open condition: write one sentence with when and one with if.

MINI-CHECK – CAN I DO THIS YET?

- ☐ For a real, likely future, I choose if + present simple and will.
- ☐ For an unreal or imagined present or future, I choose if + past simple and would.
- ☐ In these core patterns, I do not put will or would after if.
- ☐ For a hypothetical condition I choose if; when fits an expected time.

Not secure on every point yet? First label each sentence real or hypothetical, then separate condition and result.

Answer key

Check only when you have finished. Every answer comes with the **why** — the rule matters more than the result.

BRICK 1 · SORTING

01 **Type 1** - the supplier may confirm the order today
The confirmation is a real possibility today.

02 **Type 2** - I do not manage a larger department
The larger department is not the current reality.

03 **Type 1** - rain is possible before the outdoor event
The rain is a real future possibility.

04 **Type 2** - an imaginary office on a tropical island
The office is explicitly imaginary.

05 **Type 1** - the stock count may finish before noon
Completing the count is a real possibility today.

06 **Type 2** - an imaginary month without internet
The month without internet is explicitly a thought experiment.

07 **Type 1** - the client is deciding on the pitch this week
The real decision is still pending.

08 **Type 2** - a stress test in which our largest customer leaves
The loss is tested as an imagined scenario.

09 **Type 1** - the courier is expected this afternoon
The arrival belongs to today's real plan.

10 **Type 2** - a fantasy in which I own the company
Owning the company is a fantasy.

BRICK 2 · FILL-IN

01 If the server **fails** tonight, we'll use the backup system.
The real future condition takes present simple after if.

02 If I **had** a larger team, I would divide the project into two groups.
The unavailable team size requires type 2 with past simple.

03 If the courier **arrives** before four, I'll bring the package upstairs.
The real possibility takes present simple in the if-clause.

04 If we **lost** the regional contract, we would pause the expansion.
The imagined loss scenario requires type 2.

05 If Lena **accepts** our offer tomorrow, she'll start in September.
The real future condition takes present simple.

06 If I **were** you, I'd ask for the figures in writing.
The standard form for hypothetical advice uses were.

07 If the budget **allows** it next quarter, we'll add a second workshop.
The realistic plan requires type 1 with present simple.

08 If I **lived** nearer the office, I would cycle there every day.
The unreal commute requires type 2 with past simple.

BRICK 3 · CORRECT

01 If the delivery **arrives** today, we'll update the customer.
After if, type 1 uses present simple rather than will.

02 If I **knew** the answer, I would tell you immediately.
After if, type 2 uses past simple rather than would.

03 **If** I had unlimited office space, I would create a quiet room.
A hypothetical condition takes if rather than when.

04 If we **win** the contract next week, we'll recruit another designer.
The real future takes present simple in type 1.

05 If you were in my position, you **would ask** the supplier for a written estimate.
Hypothetical advice takes would in the result clause.

06 If Maya **accepted** the promotion, she would lead the new unit.
After if, type 2 takes past-simple accepted.

BRICK 4 · WRITE

Your sentences may differ - just check reality, the form after if, and the modal in the result clause.

01 "If the test **finishes** on time, we'**ll send** the release tonight."
The real future combines present simple with will.

02 "If I **had** two more developers, I **would shorten** the schedule."
The imagined team size requires past simple and would.

03 "If you **wanted** my advice, I'**d request** a second opinion."
The hypothetical advice combines past simple with would.

04 "**When** the session ends, I'll call you. **If** the room is free, we'll meet there."
When marks the expected time; if marks the open condition.

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