

Quick reference

- We use the 1st conditional (*if* + a verb in the present simple) to talk about a possible future action or situation. The *if* clause is often followed by a main clause with *will/won't*.

*If the weather **gets** better, we **ll go** for a walk.* (NOT *If the weather will get better.*)

OR *We **ll go** for a walk if the weather **gets** better.*

- In addition to the future *will*, we can also use *can, should, ought to, may, might, must* or an imperative in the main clause.

*If you want to go to London, you **can** catch a bus.*

*We **shouldn't** be late, if the train's on time. **Phone me** if you want anything.*

- To talk about something that's always true, we use *if* + present simple + present simple.

*If you **heat** plastic, it **melts**. If I **travel** by car, I always **get** carsick.*

- We use the 2nd conditional *if* + a verb in the past simple + *would/wouldn't, could, might* to talk about an action or situation in the present or the future which is improbable, hypothetical or imaginary.

*If public transport **was** better, there **would be** fewer cars on the road.*

*You **might feel** better if you **took** some of these tablets.*

*If you **found** £100 in the street, what **would** you **do** with it?*

1 Jack Rice is in a hotel room in Saint Lucia. It is very hot. He cannot sleep. Write sentences about his problem, using *If* and choosing the correct main clause from the list on the right.

Example: (Leave his door open) *If he leaves his door open, it'll be too noisy.*

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| 1 (Leave the window open) | he'll have mosquito bites all over his body. |
| 2 (Close the window) | he might drown. |
| 3 (Take off his pyjamas) | there'll be no fresh air in the room. |
| 4 (Not take off his pyjamas) | the mosquitoes will get into the room. |
| 5 (Try to sleep in a cold bath) | he'll be too hot. |

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2 Anna is going to London for an interview for her first job. She is very worried. She is thinking of possible problems. Make sentences with *What will I do if...?*

Example: I might not get there on time. *What will I do if I don't get there on time?*

- 1 My train might be late. What will I do if
- 2 I might not be able to get a taxi. What will I do if
- 3 The interviewer might not like me. What will I do if
- 4 She might ask difficult questions. What will I do
- 5 They might not offer me the job. What will I do

3 At the interview (see Exercise 2) Anna was asked to talk about herself. She said some general things (general truths) about herself. Complete her sentences, using *If*...

Example: (worry a lot/be late for something) *I worry a lot if I'm late for something.*

1 (I/get embarrassed people/say nice things about me)

2 (I/not feel good I/not be wearing smart clothes)

3 (anyone/criticise me I/feel guilty)

4 (my boyfriend/not listen to me it/make me angry)

4 Emily is learning Spanish, and she is thinking of going to Spain. A friend is giving her some advice. Make sentences with *If*...

Example: Try to go for at least a month. (go for a month/learn a lot of Spanish)

If you went for a month, you'd learn a lot of Spanish.

1 (It/be better/go on your own)

2 (go with a group of English friends/not speak much Spanish)

3 (go on your own/not be able to speak English)

4 Stay with a Spanish family. (learn the language quickly/stay with a family)

5 Find a Spanish boy. (have a Spanish boyfriend/soon speak Spanish well!)

5 Read the text. If a line is correct, put a tick (✓). If a line has a mistake in it, underline the mistake and write the correction in the brackets.

Example: (1) If I went to London next Saturday, I'll have to hitchhike. If there were (go)

(2) more buses, that was all right. But there's only one bus a day and that leaves (.....)

(3) at 5.30 in the morning. If it leaves a bit later, I'd catch it. If they stop that (.....)

(4) early morning bus service, there'll be no way of getting to London by (.....)

(5) public transport. If I would have a car, I could get there in three hours. If (.....)

(6) public transport will get any worse, a lot of people won't be able to travel. (.....)

6 a) Using *if* + present simple + present simple, write five general truths about yourself and your opinions. Example: *If people smoke in a restaurant, I get angry.*

b) Imagine you are going to England. Talk about the alternative means of travel. Write five sentences, using *if* + present simple + *will/won't*.

Examples: *If I go from Santander, I'll have to drive for three hours. If I go by plane, it'll cost a lot more.*

c) Write five questions you would ask someone you were thinking of marrying. Use *if* + past simple + *would/wouldn't*. Example: *Would you be angry if I criticised you?*

Check your answers with a teacher.

- 2 I feel as if (as though) I could drink a whole bottle.
- 3 Oh, no. It doesn't look as if (as though) we've got any wine.
- 4 It looks as if (as though) we'll have to go to the pub.
- 5 I don't feel as if (as though) I could go out again this evening.
- 5 1g 2d 3h 4f 5e 6b 7a 8c

Unit 35

- 1 1 are there 2 There are 3 are there? 4 There's 5 there's 6 Is there 7 there's 8 there isn't 9 Is there 10 there isn't 11 there are 12 Is there 13 there are 14 Are there 15 there aren't
- 2 1 ✓ 2 are (is) 3's (are) 4's (are) 5 There (They) 6 ✓ 7's (are) 8 ✓

Unit 36

- 1 1 I used to be a history teacher.
2 I didn't use to (OR used not to) travel much.
3 I never used to go abroad.
4 I didn't use to (OR used not to) have many.
5 I never used to like getting up in the morning.
6 I didn't use to (OR used not to) like hard work.
7 My old pupils didn't use to (OR used not to) be interested in me.
- 2 1 used to 2 did they use to 3 used to 4 Did they use to 5 used to 6 used to 7 Did you use to 8 used to 9 didn't use to/used not to 10 didn't use to/used not to 11 used to 12 used to

Unit 37

- 1 1 He's used to seeing police officers without guns.
2 He's used to getting free medical treatment.
3 He is (He's) used to travelling by public transport.
- 4 He still isn't used to having a small refrigerator.
- 5 He still isn't used to living in a city centre.
- 2 1 Are you used to being rich yet?/Have you got used to being rich yet?
2 to get used to 3 I was used to getting up
4 I can't get used to staying
5 Are you used to living/Have you got used to living
6 I soon got used to 7 get used to living
8 I'm not used to being/I haven't got used to being 9 I'll never get used to
10 I'll ever get used to spending

Unit 38

- 1 1 Every year Doris Slocombe sends her sister Mary a birthday card.
2 Last week she gave the card to her husband George.
3 Two days later Mary sent a letter to Doris.
4 She told her some shocking news.
5 The postman had only given her half the card.
6 He told Mary the reason.
- 2 a) 1 for 2 to 3 for 4 for 5 for 6 to 7 to
b) 1 Make everyone some coffee.
2 Send the producer this fax.
3 Buy me a packet of cigarettes.
4 Book me a table at Doyle's Bar.
5 Order me a taxi for 6.30.
6 Give my assistant this note.
7 Take the editor this reel of film.

Unit 39

- 1 1 She doesn't need a (her) French dictionary.
2 She needs an (her) English grammar (book).
3 She needs her passport.
4 She doesn't need (her/any) sun cream.
5 She needs an (her) umbrella.
6 She needs her (airline/plane) ticket.
7 She doesn't need a (her) bikini.
8 She needs her (some) English money (currency).
- 2 1 Do you need to/Will you need to 2 didn't need 3 just need to/'ll just need to 4 will you need to/do you need to 5 won't need to/don't need to/needn't 6 won't need to/don't need to/needn't 7 Do you need 8 don't need to/needn't 9 do you need to/will you need to 10 don't need to/won't need to/needn't 11 just need/'ll just need 12 need 13 didn't need
- 3 1f 2e 3h 4d 5a 6c 7g 8b
- 4 1B 2D 3B 4B 5A 6A

Unit 40

- 1 1 If he leaves the window open, the mosquitoes will get into the room.
2 If he closes the window, there'll be no fresh air in the room.
3 If he takes off his pyjamas, he'll have mosquito bites all over his body.
4 If he doesn't take off his pyjamas, he'll be too hot.
5 If he tries to sleep in a cold bath, he might drown.
- 2 1 What will I do if my train's late?
2 What will I do if I can't get a taxi?
3 What will I do if the interviewer doesn't like me?
4 What will I do if she asks difficult questions?

- 5 What will I do if they don't offer me the job?
- 3 1 I get embarrassed if people say nice things about me.
2 I don't feel good if I'm not wearing smart clothes.
3 If anyone criticises me, I feel guilty.
4 If my boyfriend doesn't listen to me, it makes me angry.
- 4 1 It would be better if you went on your own.
2 If you went with a group of English friends, you wouldn't speak much Spanish.
3 If you went on your own, you wouldn't be able to speak English.
4 You'd learn the language quickly if you stayed with a Spanish family.
5 If you had a Spanish boyfriend, you'd soon speak Spanish well!
- 5 2 was (would be) 3 leaves (left) 4 ✓
5 would have (had) 6 will get (gets)

Unit 41

- 1 1A 2B 3C 4A 5D 6C 7B 8D 9C 10A
- 2 1 If my parents hadn't been poor, I'd have had more clothes.
2 If I hadn't missed a lot of school lessons, I could have learned more.
3 If I'd been more clever, I'd have done better at school.
4 If I'd passed some exams, I might have got a well-paid job.
5 If I hadn't been shy, I'd have had more friends.
6 If I hadn't worked on a farm, I'd have fought in the war.
7 If I'd left this village, I could have got a better job.
8 If I'd got married, I might have had some children.
- 3 1 If I'd (had) been standing under the tree, I'd (would) have been killed. I wouldn't be here now.
2 If I hadn't been feeling ill, he wouldn't have spoken to me. And we wouldn't be living together now.
3 If I'd (had) been watching the road, I wouldn't have hit that car.
4 If I hadn't been feeling tired, they'd (would) have offered me the job. I'd (would) be in Australia now. I'd (would) be surfing on Bondi Beach.

Unit 42

- 1 1 unless he stops smoking.
2 unless he lets her pay for herself.
3 unless he phones her every day.

- 4 unless he's prepared to talk about them.
5 unless he answers her honestly.
- 2 1 You can go in provided/as long as/providing you've got/you have a ticket.
2 Under 7s can swim as long as/provided/providing they're accompanied by an adult.
3 You can park in the street providing/as long as/provided you're a resident.
4 You can travel in this compartment provided/as long as/providing you don't smoke.
- 3 3 provided/providing/as long as
4 provided/providing/as long as 5 unless
6 provided/providing/as long as 7 unless
8 unless 9 provided/providing/as long as
10 unless 11 provided/providing/as long as
- 4 1 I'll pack my case now in case I don't have time tomorrow morning.
2 I'll take my hair dryer in case there isn't one at the hotel.
3 I'll take my winter coat in case it's cold in the evening.
4 I'll phone to confirm my hotel booking in case they didn't get (haven't got) my letter.
5 I'll take Andrea's phone number in case she isn't at the airport to meet me.
6 I'll book a taxi now in case there aren't any available at 8.00 tomorrow.

Unit 43

- 1 1 I wish my sister would turn the television down.
2 If only my brother would stop playing his music so loudly.
3 I wish my mother would stop coming up to my room. OR I wish my mother wouldn't keep coming up to my room.
4 If only she wouldn't worry so much.
5 I wish I knew what the exam questions were.
6 If only I didn't have to do the exam.
- 2 1 I wish I'd (had) gone to university.
2 I wish I'd (had) learned/learnt a foreign language.
3 I wish I'd (had) travelled to more foreign countries.
4 I wish I'd (had) read more books.
5 I wish I'd (had) had a more interesting job.
6 I wish I'd (had) married the first girl I fell in love with.
7 I wish I'd (had) had a son as well as three daughters.
- 3 2 I wish it would stop raining.
3 If only I had more money.
4 If only I lived in the country.
5 I wish I hadn't forgotten my raincoat.
6 I wish I hadn't bought so many things.