**1ST Evening Vocational High School of Trikala**

**Grade B**

**Vocational classes**

**ZERO AND FIRST TYPE OF CONDITIONALS:**

**Patterns**

**1. IF + PRESENT, PRESENT**

**Example:** *If he takes vitamins every day, he doesn’t get sick. / He doesn’t get sick if he takes vitamins every day.*

* This is called the **zero conditional**.
* We use this conditional to show an outcome that happens if a  specific **repeated** condition is met, or for **general truths** or **natural laws**.

*-If you don’t water plants regularly, they die.*

-*If you heat ice, it turns into water.*

* The verbs in the***if*** *clause* and in the ***main clause*** will both be **simple present** verbs (remember that third person singular verbs end in -s).
* For all the conditional patterns, the *if clause* and the *main clause* order doesn’t matter—the meaning is the same. However, a comma is needed when the *if clause* comes before the main clause.

**2. IF + PRESENT, WILL + VERB**

**Example:***If she studies for the test, she will get a good grade. / She will get a good grade if she studies for the test.*

* This is called the **first conditional** or the **real conditional**.
* Use this conditional to show a **likely** or **possible** outcome that will probably happen if a specific condition is met. More specifically, it is used express something that will  **probably** happen in the future. e.g. *If Paul gets the job, he will move to London.*
* The verb in the *if clause*is a **simple present** verb, and the verb in the *main clause* is **will + base** form of the verb.
* Remember: the verb in the *if clause* will end in -s if the subject is third person singular.
* In the main clause we may also have modal verbs (Can / May / Must + infinitive) or Imperative

e.g. If you touch that button, you may be electrocuted.

If you get thirsty, let me know.

if you find a seat, you can get some rest.

If you notice something strange, you must call the police.

**EXERCISE Put the verbs in brackets into the correct tenses (Zero and First Conditional Senetences).**

1. If I see him, I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (give) him a lift.
2. The table will break if you\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (sit) on it.
3. If he \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (eat) all that, he will be ill.
4. If I find your passport, I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (telephone) you.
5. The police \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (arrest) him, if they catch him.
6. If he\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (read) in bad light, he will ruin his eyes.
7. Someone \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(steal) your car if you leave it unlocked.
8. What will happen if my parachute \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(not open)?
9. If he \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(wash) my car, I'll give him $10.
10. If she \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(need) a radio, she can borrow mine.
11. If you \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(not go) away, I'll call the police.
12. If he \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(be) late, we'll go without him.
13. She will be absolutely furious if she \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(hear) about this.
14. If you put on the kettle, I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_make) some tea.
15. If you give my dog a bone, he \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (bury) it.
16. If we leave the car here, it \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(not be) in anybody's way.
17. He'll be late for the train if he \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(not start) at once.
18. If you come late, they \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (not let) you in.
19. If he \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(go) on telling lies, nobody will believe a word he says.
20. Unless he \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(sell) more, he won't get much commission.
21. If I lend you $10, when \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_you \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(repay) me?
22. We'll have to move upstairs if the river \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(rise) any higher.
23. If he\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(work) hard today, can he have a holiday tomorrow?
24. Ice \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(turn) to water if you heat it.
25. If the house \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(burn) down, we can claim compensation.
26. If you \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(not like) this one, I'll bring you another.
27. Unless you are more careful, you \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(have) an accident.
28. Tell him to ring me up if you \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(see) him.
29. If I tell you a secret, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_you \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(promise) not to tell it to anyone else?
30. If you kindly sit down, I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (make) enquiries for you.
31. Unless I have a quiet room, I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (not be able) to do any work.
32. Should you require anything else, please \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (ring) the bell for the attendant.

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