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Conditionals 0 to 3 — at a glance

Choose the type by time and by how real it is

0 · Always true	1 · Real and possible	2 · Imagined now / future	3 · Imagined past

The four types

Type	Use it for	Form (p.p. = past participle)	Example
0	facts, rules, habits	if + present → present	If you **heat** ice, it **melts**.
1	a real chance in the future	if + present → will + verb	If Paul **hurries**, he **will catch** the bus.
2	imagined now or future · advice · polite requests	if + past → would + verb	If I **had** wings, I **would fly**. Real fact: I have no wings.
3	imagined past · regret · criticism	if + had + p.p. → would have + p.p.	If Margaret **had set** an alarm, she **would not have overslept**. Real fact: she did not set one.

Same idea, four ways

0 If it **rains**, the playground **gets** wet.

1 If it **rains** tomorrow, the match **will be** cancelled.

2 If it **rained** in the desert every day, it **would be** green.

3 If it **had rained** yesterday, the match **would have been** cancelled.

Quick rules

No *will* or *would* in the if-part	If it **rains**, … · If I **knew**, … · If I **had known**, …
After *had* / *would have*: past participle	had **taken** · would have **gone**

Comma after the if-part when it comes first. **unless** = if … not.

PART A — Which type?

Write 0, 1, 2 or 3 in the box.

1. If you mix red and yellow paint, you get orange. ☐
2. If I were taller, I would join the basketball team. ☐
3. If Paul had checked the map, he would not have got lost. ☐
4. If the bus is late again, I will walk to school. ☐
5. My cat always runs to the window if it sees a bird. ☐
6. If we had a garden, we would grow tomatoes. ☐

PART B Fill in the verb

Fill in each blank with the correct form of the verb in brackets.

1. Water _____ (boil) if you _____ (heat) it to 100°C.
2. If Margaret _____ (study) tonight, she _____ (pass) tomorrow's test.
3. If I _____ (be) you, I _____ (apologise) to her.
4. They left late and missed the ferry. If they _____ (leave) earlier, they _____ (catch) the ferry.

PART C A short message

Fill in the blanks. The types are mixed.

A message from Sam

Hi Paul! Sorry I missed your party. If I 1 _____ (know) about it, I 2 _____ (come). My phone was broken. If it 3 _____ (work), I 4 _____ (see) your message.

Anyway, if you 5 _____ (be) free on Saturday, we 6 _____ (play) football. See you!

Answers **A** 1 0 · 2 2 · 3 3 · 4 1 · 5 0 · 6 2 **B** 1 boils; heat · 2 studies; will pass · 3 were; would apologise · 4 had left; would have caught **C** 1 had known · 2 would have come · 3 had worked · 4 would have seen · 5 are · 6 will play / can play / could play

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