

Conditional sentences (sentences with "if")

- 0 conditional: If you **heat** water to above 100°C, it **boils**.
- 1st conditional: If I **go** to the party tonight, I **will meet** Angela.
- 2nd conditional: If I **won** a lot of money, I **would buy** a big house.
- 3rd conditional: If I **had studied** harder last year, I **would have succeeded** in my exams.

Exercise 1

0, 1st or 2nd conditional



Remember that, in the 2nd conditional, we use the past tense but we are **not** thinking about past time; we are imagining something in *general time* or in the *future*. For example:

- *general time*: If you **were** taller, you would be able to touch the ceiling.
- *future*: If you **ran** in the race tomorrow, you would win.

Put the verbs in the right form.

e.g. If I **(win)** win my tennis match later today, I **(be)** will be so happy!

- 1) My boss might ask me to work tomorrow but if she **(not call)** _____, I **(spend)** _____ the day shopping.
- 2) I feel John **(be)** _____ better at tennis if he **(be)** _____ 10 cm taller.
- 3) I won't invite George to go running because it's raining; he **(not enjoy)** _____ it if he **(come)** _____ with us.
- 4) Don't worry. If Henry **(phone)** _____, I **(tell)** _____ him where you are.
- 5) Most children know that, if you **(mix)** _____ the colours blue and yellow, you **(get)** _____ green.
- 6) I'm a bit sick at the moment but, if I **(feel)** _____ better tomorrow evening, I **(go)** _____ to the party.
- 7) If he **(try)** _____ harder, he **(pass)** _____ his exams, but he never will.