Conditionals

Week 4



4 Conditionals

Zero conditional

First Conditional

Second Conditional

Third Conditional



Zero conditional

I help people if/when they call.

When it rains, it is wet.

- Statements that are facts
- Always true
- Always the same
- Both parts present simple



First Conditional

I will help you if you call.

If you go to the party, I will go too.

- Speaks about future, 1 shift = First conditional
- Present simple talks about future
- 1 consequence, not a rule
- If + present simple, will + verb



Second Conditional

• I would not smoke if I were you.

If I won a lottery, I would buy a car.

- About future, 2 shifts = Second Conditional
- Wish or unreal condition = I cannot be you, I wish to win lottery
- If + past simple, would + verb



Third Conditional

 If I had studied harder, I would have had better marks.

 I would have gone to the concert if I had had more money.

- Past hypothesis, everything in past.
- Real condition
- If + past perfect, past modal (modal + have + verb in 3rd participle)



Best of Luck

