

If clause

If there is no rain, the grass doesn't grow.



If you don't eat, you die.



Plants die if they don't get enough water.

Language Focus Zero Conditional - If + Simple Present, simple present

1. Iron rusts if it gets wet.
2. If there is no rain, the grass doesn't grow.

Conversation

- A: Oh no! How come my plants become drier and smaller and start to die?
 B: It's probably because you aren't watering them often enough. Plants die if they don't get enough water.
 A: Maybe the sun has withered my plants.
 B: Well, plants are like humans, If you don't eat, you die.

If clause

When it rains, my roof leaks.

When he comes to town, we have dinner together.



When I have a day off from work, I usually go to the beach.

Language Focus Zero Conditional - When + Simple Present, simple present

1. When you give respect, you get respect.
2. When it rains, my roof leaks.

Conversation

- A: I'm excited for my day off tomorrow. I'm meeting my brother.
B: I thought he's already staying in Hokkaido?
A: He often comes for a visit. And when he comes to town, we have dinner together.
B: That's nice. I usually go to the beach when I have a day off from work.

If clause

If I found her address, I would send her an invitation.



If you invite me to your house for dinner tonight, I will bring a bottle of wine.



I will make you a delicious dinner if you help me with these bags.

Language Focus Present Real Conditional - Simple Present, will-future

1. If I found her address, I would send her an invitation.

Conversation

- A: Hi Shelley! You bought a lot of groceries. Are you having party tonight?
 B: Oh no! I'm just learning how to cook pasta and steak.
 A: Wow! If you invite me to your house for dinner tonight, I will bring a bottle of wine.
 B: Hmm.. If you help me with these bags, I will make you a delicious dinner.

If clause

If Ben gets up early, he can catch the bus.



If I get this work finished, I might take the rest of the day off.



You should go and see the doctor if you don't feel better tomorrow.

Language Focus Simple Present, modal+infinitive

1. If Ben gets up early, he can catch the bus.

Conversation

- A: You've been complaining about your headache for a week now.
 B: Yes. I've taken painkillers but this headache is killing me.
 A: You should go and see the doctor if you don't feel better tomorrow.
 B: Right! If I get this work finished, I might take the rest of the day off.

If clause

If I had taken the bus, I would have been late.



I would have bought you a present if I'd known it was your birthday.



If I'd known you were coming, I would have baked a cake.

Language Focus Past Perfect, would+have+past participle

1. If you had read the paper, you would have seen the advertisement.
2. If I had taken the bus, I would have been late.

Conversation

(door bells...)

- A: What a surprise! My birthday was last week, I didn't expect you'd visit.
 B: Oh my! I would have bought you a present if I'd known it was your birthday.
 A: Yeah. If I'd known you were coming, I would have baked a cake for you.
 B: Well, why don't we have dinner outside? It's my treat.

If clause

If the weather was nice, I often walked to work.



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I always helped my brother with his homework when I had time.

Language Focus (Past Real Conditional – If /
When + Simple Past, Simple Past)

1. If I went to a friend's house for dinner, I usually took a bottle of wine or some flowers.

Conversation

- A: I've been very busy I couldn't notice the time has passed swiftly.
 B: Yeah. Same here. I always helped my brother with his homework when I had time after work.
 A: You bet! If the weather was nice, I often walked to work.
 B: Oh! how I miss the things I used to do.

If clause

If I had a lot of money, I wouldn't stay here.



If I had a day off from work next week,
I would go to the beach.



I were busy next week. I would come to
your party if I had time.

Language Focus Past Unreal - Simple Past, would+infinitive

1. If I had a lot of money, I wouldn't stay here.

Conversation

- A: Hey! How have you been? Haven't seen you like ages.
 B: I got so tied up with work. If I had a day off from work next week,
 I would go to the beach.
 A: Well. I'm throwing a party Friday night. Ring me if you have time.
 B: I were busy next week. I would come to your party if I had time, .

If clause

If I knew English, I would have got a better job.



If I didn't love him I wouldn't have married him.



I would have come, if I were invited.

Language Focus Mixed--Simple Past, would+have+past participle

1. If I were a good cook, I would have invited them to lunch.
2. If I knew English, I would have got a better job.

Conversation

- A: Congratulations! I didn't know you got married last week.
 B: I was expecting you to attend my wedding. Didn't you get the invitation I sent you?
 A: I would have come, if I were invited. Anyway, You married him, so it must be love.
 B: Oh yes, If I didn't love him I wouldn't have married him.

If clause

I wish that I could afford a new car.

I wish she would stop complaining.



We wish we could come to your party.

Language Focus Wish + modals

1. I wish that I could afford a new car.
2. I wish you wouldn't squeeze the toothpaste from the middle.

Conversation

- A: Don't forget to remind the rest of the guys about the party this Saturday.
 B: We wish we could come to your party. Our boss declined our project proposal.
 A: Oh! Not again.. I wish she would stop complaining once and for all.
 B: How I wish!

If clause

I wish I were ten years younger.

I wish I were a singer.



I wish I were talented like Ricky Martin.

Language Focus Wish + were

1. I wish I weren't so slow!
2. I wish I were ten years younger.

Conversation

- A: Being famous is something exciting but tough.
B: It surely is! But I still wish I were a singer.
A: Oh, you do? Who do you wish you'd be like?
B: I wish I were talented like Ricky Martin.