

The rooster is crowing.
subject → verb

My friend loves dogs.
subject verb object

The Conditional Tense



What would you do?

Imagine if you won \$10 million in the lottery.


What would you do with the money?

Write five sentences explaining what you would do. Each sentence should begin like this:
If I won the lottery, I would...


The conditional tense

You have just written five sentences in the **conditional tense**.
Conditional sentences express **possibility** and **probability**.

They tell us about what **could**, **might**, **should** or **will** happen in the future, or what **could**, **might** or **should** have happened in the past.



If I had some
ketchup, I could put it
on these fries !



If I had studied more, I
might not have failed
that test!

Select the endings of your choice to complete these conditional sentences.

If I had gone to bed earlier last night I might -

When I get home after school today I will probably -

If I had not handed in my homework today I could -

For breakfast tomorrow, I might -



Look at the photo and then finish these sentences by describing what will *probably* happen.



1. If the ball goes in the hoop...
2. If a teacher catches them playing basketball...
3. If the bell were to ring...



The conditional tense expresses what might possibly have happened in the past, and what might possibly happen in the future.

**Look at this picture.
Can you think of some
conditional sentences
to show what might
have happened, or what
possibly *could* happen?**

Did you think of these?



**If the man had not hailed the taxi, he might
not have met the woman.**

**If the man doesn't get in the taxi, he
might miss his flight.**

Write some sentences inspired by these photos using both *probability* and *possibility* conditionals.

Try to make your answers as inventive as possible!



Is it a conditional sentence?

Read each sentence and decide whether or not it is written in the conditional tense.

I flew to Santa Fe last weekend.

**conditional
sentence**

**not a conditional
sentence**

