IF CLAUSES

GENERAL REVISION

ZERO/FIRST CONDITIONAL

REAL, GENERAL OR SITUATIONAL

ZERO CONDITIONAL

Usage : Habits or fact, something that happens generally.

Syntax: IF + Present Simple + Present Simple
 IF + Past Simple + Past Simple
 IF can be replaced by WHEN or UNLESS

Ex : If it rains, I take an umbrella If I failed a test, I studied harder for the next one

FIRST CONDITIONAL

Usage: specific real situations in the present or future

Syntax: IF + Present Simple + Future

- IF may be replaced by When, Unless
- Ex : If John doesn't come to the party, I will get angry
 If you come earlier, you will help me
 He will join in, unless he has got something to do

SECOND/THIRD CONDITIONAL

UNREAL, GENERAL OR SITUATIONAL

Usage : Unreal situations in the Present or Future

 Syntax: IF + Simple Past + Conditional In if clause, were is used as both singular and plural.

> Ex: If I were a movie star I would earn a lot of money. If I won in the lottery, I would buy a house

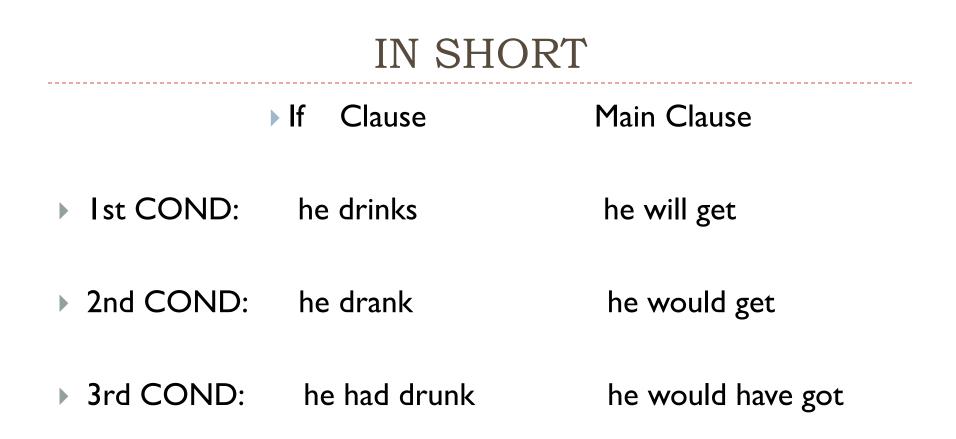
THIRD CONDITIONAL

 Usage : «Unreal» development s of specific situations in the past.

- Syntax : IF + Past perfect + Perfect Conditional
 - IF can be omitted from the sentence

Examples : If I had gone to university, I could have become a teacher . (But I did not)

Had I gone to university, I could have become a teacher.



MIXED CONDITIONALS

- Usage: Type 1. Situations in the past affecting the present
- Syntax: If + Past Perfect , Present Conditional
- Ex : If I had studied harder, I would have a better job
- Usage: Type 2. Situations in the present affecting the past.
- Syntax: If + Past Simple , Perfect Conditional
- Ex : If I was better at cooking, I would have had a much better diet during my studies at the university.
- If I wasn't afraid of spiders, I would have picked one yesterday on the train.

- If you can keep your head when all about you
 - Are losing theirs and blaming it on you,
- If you can trust yourself when all men doubt you,
 - But make allowance for their doubting too;
 - If you can wait and not be tired by waiting,
 - Or being lied about, don't deal in lies,
 - Or being hated, don't give way to hating,
- And yet don't look too good, nor talk too wise:
- If you can dream—and not make dreams your master;
- If you can think—and not make thoughts your aim;
 - If you can meet with Triumph and Disaster
 - And treat those two impostors just the same;
 - If you can bear to hear the truth you've spoken
 - Twisted by knaves to make a trap for fools,
- Or watch the things you gave your life to, broken,
- And stoop and build 'em up with worn-out tools:

- If you can make one heap of all your winnings
 - And risk it on one turn of pitch-and-toss,
- And lose, and start again at your beginnings
- And never breathe a word about your loss;
- If you can force your heart and nerve and sinew
 - To serve your turn long after they are gone,
 - And so hold on when there is nothing in you
- Except the Will which says to them: 'Hold on!'
- If you can talk with crowds and keep your virtue,
- Or walk with Kings—nor lose the common touch,
 - If neither foes nor loving friends can hurt you,
 - If all men count with you, but none too much;
 - If you can fill the unforgiving minute
 - With sixty seconds' worth of distance run,
 - Yours is the Earth and everything that's in it,
 - And—which is more—you'll be a Man, my son!
 - Rudyard Kipling