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Basics. Zero and First Conditionals

Medium | B1 | Intermediate | B2 | Upper Intermediate | Clause | Conditional sentence | Conjunction | Future tense | Imperative mood | Modal verb | Negation | Present tense | Verb | Verb tense | Simple tense

1. Complete a stressed college student's late-night text message to her roommate.

I am in so much trouble! If I _____ one more hour watching cat videos, I _____ tomorrow's chemistry midterm. But if I actually close my laptop and study right now, I _____ with a decent grade!

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- **A)** spend
- **B)** will spend
- **C)** spent

Blank 2

- **A)** will fail
- **B)** fails
- **C)** would have failed

Blank 3

- **A)** might pass
- **B)** passes
- **C)** passed

2. Choose the correct phrase to complete the dramatic weather forecaster's broadcast.

If the giant marshmallow cloud moves any closer to the city, we ___ a massive hot chocolate flood by Tuesday!

Select one.

- **A)** experience
- **B)** will experience
- **C)** experienced
- **D)** would experience

3. Fill in the blanks in the local coffee shop's new employee training manual.

As a general rule, if a customer _____ an espresso, we always _____ it with a small glass of sparkling water. However, if the espresso machine _____ down during the morning rush tomorrow, the manager _____ everyone free drip coffee instead to apologize for the delay.

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- **A)** orders
- **B)** will order
- **C)** order

Blank 2

- **A)** serve
- **B)** serves
- **C)** served

Blank 3

- **A)** breaks
- **B)** will break
- **C)** break

Blank 4

- **A)** will give
- **B)** gives
- **C)** give

4. Review these dramatic notes left by a frustrated roommate. Select ALL the notes that use the Zero Conditional correctly to express a general truth or habit.

Select all that apply.

- **A)** If I clean the kitchen, you always mess it up five minutes later.
- **B)** When someone eats my labeled yogurt, I get extremely annoyed.
- **C)** If you will leave your shoes in the hallway, I trip over them.
- **D)** If my alarm goes off at 6 AM, the dog starts howling.
- **E)** If the trash bin is full, I took it out.

5. Help the exasperated roommate complete their warning.

If Marco ___ his alarm again, he will definitely miss the alien invasion!

Select one.

- **A)** snoozes
- **B)** will snooze
- **C)** snoozed
- **D)** would snooze

6. Help the slightly unhinged scientist complete his lab report by choosing the correct verb forms.

According to my latest findings, the reaction is completely predictable. If my assistant _____ the synthetic slime to exactly 100 degrees, it always _____ and covers the entire ceiling in green goo.

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- **A)** heats
- **B)** will heat
- **C)** heat

Blank 2

- **A)** explodes
- **B)** explode
- **C)** will explode

7. Complete the passive-aggressive sticky note left by your roommate by dragging the correct words to the gaps.

I won't pay my half of the internet bill unless you _____ the kitchen before Friday. Furthermore, if you ignore the dirty dishes again, I _____ the WiFi router!

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- **A)** clean
- **B)** will clean
- **C)** cleaned

Blank 2

- **A)** will hide
- **B)** hide
- **C)** hid

8. Read this excerpt from the *Intergalactic Survival Guide*. Select ALL the grammatically correct conditional sentences.

Select all that apply.

- **A)** If an alien lands in your backyard, offer it a cup of tea.
- **B)** If the spaceship is glowing green, it means they come in peace.
- **C)** If the alien will speak English, you will say hello.
- **D)** If they point a laser at you, you should probably duck.
- **E)** If they ask for directions, you gave them a map.

9. Help the anxious traveler finish their packing checklist by dragging the appropriate verbs into the blanks.

Whenever I visit my relatives in London, it almost always _____ during the trip. Because of this, if the forecast holds true for this upcoming weekend, I _____ my heavy waterproof boots just in case.

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- **A)** rains
- **B)** will rain
- **C)** is raining

Blank 2

- **A)** will pack
- **B)** pack
- **C)** packed

10. The evil Dr. Monocle is explaining his master plan to a captured secret agent. Select ALL the grammatically correct threats that use the First Conditional.

Select all that apply.

- **A)** Unless you hand over the secret codes, I will release the laser-equipped sharks!
- **B)** If you try to escape, my robotic penguins will catch you.
- **C)** As long as you will cooperate, you will remain unharmed.
- **D)** You won't leave this island unless you agree to my demands.
- **E)** If the timer reaches zero, the base would explode.

11. Help Professor Fizzwick complete his laboratory safety manual by dragging the correct verb forms into the blanks.

As a general rule, if you heat this glowing green slime to 100 degrees, it _____ completely invisible. However, if you drop your sandwich into the vat right now, the slime _____ into a very angry monster!

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- **A)** turns
- **B)** will turn
- **C)** turned

Blank 2

- **A)** will mutate
- **B)** mutates
- **C)** mutated

12. Complete the botanist's care guide for the rare 'Drama Queen' Venus flytrap.

As a general rule, if you play classical music for this plant, it ___ its traps and sways to the rhythm.

Select one.

A) will open
B) opens
C) opened
D) is opening