

## CONDITIONALS

### The Zero Conditional

- If + present simple, .... present simple.

This conditional is used when the result will always happen. (General truth)

The 'if' in this conditional can usually be replaced by 'when' without changing the meaning.

- If water **reaches** 100 degrees, it **boils**. (It is always true, there can't be a different result).

### The First Conditional

- if + present simple/ present perfect ... will + infinitive / modals(can, may...) / imperative(προστακτική).

It's used to talk about things which might happen in the future. Of course, we can't know what will happen in the future, but this describes possible things, which could easily come true. (Κάτι πιθανό να συμβεί στο παρόν - μέλλον).

- If it **rains**, I **won't go** to the park.(will)
- If you **have finished** your homework, you **may** go out.(modal)
- If you **go out**, **switch off** the lights.(imperative)

### The Second Conditional

- if + past simple, ...would + infinitive

We can use it to talk about something in the present which is impossible, because it's not true. (Απίθανο να συμβεί στο παρόν – μέλλον).

- If I **had** his number, I **would call** him. (I don't have his number now, so it's impossible for me to call him).

It is also used for giving advice.(Δίνουμε συμβουλές)

- If I **were** you, I **wouldn't go** out with that man.

### The Third Conditional

- if + past perfect, ...would + have + past participle

It talks about the past. It's used to describe a situation that didn't happen, and to imagine the result of this situation.(Κάτι που θα θέλαμε να έχει συμβεί στο παρελθόν αλλά δεν συνέβη).

- If she **had studied**, she **would have passed** the exam (but, really we know she didn't study and so she didn't pass)

### **The Mixed Conditional**

- if + past perfect, ...would + infinitive

Το αποτέλεσμα της πράξης είναι ορατό στο παρόν.

If you had been more careful, you wouldn't be in hospital now.

### **Inversion**

- 1) If + should = Εάν τυχόν (μειωμένη πιθανότητα)
  - If he should phone, tell me. Should he phone, tell me.
- 2) If + were
  - If I were you, ..... Were I you, .....
- 3) If + had
  - If you had come, ..... Had you come, .....

**Unless** = εάν δεν. Πάντα θέλει καταφατικό ρήμα.

- **Unless you come = If you don't come.**