

Conditional Sentences—Rules You Need to Know

- There are four types of conditional sentences.
- It's important to use the correct structure for each of these different conditional sentences because they express varying meanings.
- Pay attention to verb tense when using different conditional modes.
- Use a comma after the if-clause when the if-clause precedes the main clause.

Conditional sentences are statements discussing known factors or hypothetical situations and their consequences. Complete conditional sentences contain a conditional [clause](#) (often referred to as the if-clause) and the consequence.

Consider the following sentences:

Example: If a certain condition is true, then a particular result happens.

Example: I would travel around the world if I won the lottery.

Example: When water reaches 100 degrees, it boils.