Zero Conditional Exercises en PDF y con soluciones

Guía práctica para comprender, practicar y corregir el zero conditional en inglés.

1. Marco teórico

¿Qué es el zero conditional?

El zero conditional se utiliza para expresar hechos generales, verdades científicas, rutinas, instrucciones y relaciones de causa y efecto que consideramos normalmente ciertas. No hablamos de una posibilidad futura concreta, sino de lo que ocurre siempre o habitualmente cuando se cumple una condición.

Estructura básica

Parte	Estructura	Ejemplo
If-clause	if + present simple	If you heat ice,
Resultado	present simple	it melts.

If + present simple, present simple

> If you mix blue and yellow, you get green.
>
> Water boils if you heat it to 100°C at standard atmospheric pressure.

El orden puede cambiar

Las dos partes pueden intercambiarse sin cambiar el significado esencial. Cuando la oración empieza por la cláusula con if, normalmente escribimos una coma. Si la cláusula con if aparece al final, no suele utilizarse coma.

> If I drink coffee late, I don't sleep well. / I don't sleep well if I drink coffee late.

Cuándo se usa

Usamos el zero conditional para hechos y leyes generales (If plants don't get light, they die), hábitos y rutinas (If I finish early, I walk home), instrucciones (If the screen freezes, restart the computer) y consecuencias previsibles que se presentan como habituales (If he skips breakfast, he gets hungry before lunch).

Zero conditional y otros condicionales

El zero conditional presenta una relación general o habitual. El first conditional suele referirse a una situación futura posible; el second conditional, a situaciones hipotéticas o poco probables; y el third conditional, a situaciones pasadas que ya no pueden cambiarse.

Errores frecuentes

Los errores más habituales son usar will sin necesidad, cambiar incorrectamente el presente simple, olvidar la -s de tercera persona o confundir una verdad general con una posibilidad futura concreta.

> Incorrecto: If water reaches 0°C, it will freeze. (Si expresamos una verdad general.)
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> Correcto: If water reaches 0°C, it freezes.

2. Ejercicios

Bloque A - Elige la opción correcta

1. If you heat water to 100°C, it ___ .
2. If people don't sleep enough, they ___ tired.
3. If ice gets warm, it ___ .
4. If I eat too quickly, I ___ ill.
5. Plants ___ if they don't get water.
6. If you press this button, the machine ___ .
7. If my brother cooks, he always ___ a mess.
8. If it rains a lot, the ground ___ wet.
9. If children are hungry, they often ___ irritable.
10. If you don't charge the battery, it ___ .
11. Metal ___ when you heat it.
12. If she drinks milk, she ___ sick.
13. If we leave food outside in summer, it ___ bad.
14. If the sun sets, it ___ dark.
15. If I don't set an alarm, I ___ late.
16. If you mix red and white, you ___ pink.
17. If dogs are frightened, they sometimes ___ .
18. If he exercises regularly, he ___ better.
19. If you don't water this plant, its leaves ___ .
20. If students practise, they ___ .

Bloque B - Completa con la forma correcta

1. If you ___ (not/eat), you get hungry.
2. If Sarah ___ (be) tired, she goes to bed early.
3. Water ___ (freeze) if the temperature falls below 0°C.
4. If we ___ (have) time, we usually walk.
5. If Tom ___ (not/wear) glasses, he can't read the board.
6. If cats ___ (feel) threatened, they may hiss.
7. My phone ___ (switch) off if the battery is empty.
8. If I ___ (drink) tea at night, I sleep well.
9. If the shop ___ (close), we go somewhere else.
10. If you ___ (add) sugar, the tea tastes sweeter.
11. If Marta ___ (miss) breakfast, she gets hungry early.
12. People ___ (sweat) if they get very hot.
13. If the road ___ (be) icy, cars move more slowly.
14. If he ___ (not/study), he doesn't understand the lesson.
15. If you ___ (touch) fire, it burns.

16. The printer ___ (stop) if it runs out of paper.
17. If I ___ (be) stressed, I go for a walk.
18. If children ___ (play) outside, they usually sleep better.
19. Chocolate ___ (melt) if it gets hot.
20. If we ___ (not/recycle), we produce more waste.

Bloque C - Encuentra y corrige el error

1. If you will heat ice, it melts.
2. If she drink coffee late, she doesn't sleep.
3. Plants dies if they don't get water.
4. If I am hungry, I eats something.
5. If he don't exercise, he feels tired.
6. Water boil if you heat it enough.
7. If the battery is empty, the phone turn off.
8. If we mixes yellow and blue, we get green.
9. If my dog hear a noise, it barks.
10. If you don't wears a coat, you get cold.
11. If Anna is late she take a taxi.
12. If people doesn't drink water, they get thirsty.
13. If I wake up early, I am usually have breakfast at seven.
14. Glass break if you drop it.
15. If the teacher asks a question, Pedro answer quickly.
16. If you press this key, the program will opens.
17. If it rain, the streets get wet.
18. If she doesn't sleeps enough, she feels tired.
19. If we are tired, we goes home early.
20. The alarm rings if someone open the door.

3. Soluciones

Bloque A

1. boils
2. feel
3. melts
4. feel
5. die
6. starts
7. makes
8. gets
9. become
10. dies
11. expands
12. feels
13. goes
14. gets
15. wake up
16. get
17. bark
18. feels
19. droop
20. improve

Bloque B

1. don't eat
2. is
3. freezes
4. have
5. doesn't wear
6. feel
7. switches
8. drink
9. closes
10. add
11. misses
12. sweat
13. is
14. doesn't study
15. touch
16. stops
17. am
18. play
19. melts

20. don't recycle

Bloque C

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