CONDITIONALS

Zero Conditional	First Conditional	Second Conditional	Third Conditional
Possible at any time, but most commonly in present	*Possible in the future*	*Impossible in the present/ possible but improbable in the future*	*Impossible in the past*
If + present (simple, continuous, perfect)	If + present (simple, continuous, perfect) or modals *Will, be going to, may, can, should, present simple*	If + past (simple, continuous) *Would, could, might + infinitive*	If + past perfect (past perfect continuous, might have, could have) *would have + past participle*
1) situations that can occur at any time (more than once) and their results *If you press this key, the game starts* 2) actions which always have the same result *If you use a hot iron on nylon, it melts* 3) general instruction *If you want to start, press the red button*	1) possible future events and their results *If the weather is fine, we will go for a walk* 2) commands *If you come home late, don't wake us up!* 3) offers *I'll call the hotel if you don't have time.* 4) warnings *I'll call the police if you don't leave now!*	1) improbable future events or situations *If I won the lottery, I would buy an island.* 2) a hypothetical situation in the present which is contrary to known facts *If I knew the answer, I would tell you.* 3) giving advice *If I were you, I would buy it.* 4) polite request *If you could help me, I would be very grateful.* 5) wishes & regrets *If we didn't work so hard, we could spend more time together.*	1) a hypothetical situation in the past which is contrary to known facts *I wouldn't have got wet if I had taken an umbrella.* 2) criticism *If you had been driving more slowly, you could have stopped in time.*