

What will happen if ...? Bedingungssätze (if-Sätze) I

Dan would like to go to the disco, but it's Wednesday and he's got school the next day. He is thinking about what will / won't happen if he goes. Write if-sentences (type I). Use the following phrases:

go to the disco · come home late · not go to bed until after twelve ·
get up late · not catch the school bus · have to walk · not arrive on time ·
make the teacher angry · get extra homework · have to stay at home tomorrow night ·
miss the rock concert · lose the fifteen pounds for the ticket

Dan: If I **go** to the disco, I **'ll come** home late.
If I **come** home late, I **won't go** to bed until after twelve.
If I ..., ...

Continue.

What will happen / won't happen if you don't do these things?

- 1 ... invite your friends to your next birthday party? (If I don't invite my friends ...)
- 2 ... learn for the next school test?
- 3 ... spend your pocket money carefully?
- 4 ... do your homework for school?
- 5 ... come home on time in the evening?
- 6 ... clean or tidy up your room?
- 7 ... write a bad English test?

if-Sätze (I)

Hilfe

If-Sätze werden auch *Bedingungssätze (conditional clauses)* genannt. Sie bestehen aus zwei Teilen:

- einem **Nebensatz mit 'if'** (if-clause), in dem eine Bedingung genannt wird: ("Wenn ich den Bus verpasse, ...").
- einem **Hauptsatz** (main clause), in dem steht, was passiert, wenn diese Bedingung zutrifft: ("... dann komme ich zu spät zur Schule.").

Es gibt drei Arten von Bedingungssätzen. Hier geht es zunächst nur um

- Typ I: **erfüllbare** Bedingungen
(Etwas ist möglich und **wahrscheinlich** und/oder **ziemlich sicher**.)

Diese Verbformen musst du in Bedingungssätzen vom Typ I verwenden:

- im **if-Satz**: Simple Present (If I **miss** the bus ...)
- im **Hauptsatz**: will-future (... I **'ll come** to school late.)
modales Hilfsverb + Infinitiv (... I **may get** in trouble.)
Imperativ, Aufforderung (... **take** me to school in your car, please.)

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If I **come** home late, I **won't go** to bed until after twelve.
If I **don't go** to bed until after twelve, I **'ll get up** late.
If I **get up** late, I **won't catch** the school bus.
If I **don't catch** the school bus, I **'ll have to** walk.
If I **have to** walk, I **won't arrive** on time.
If I **don't arrive** on time, I **'ll make** the teacher angry.
If I **make** the teacher angry, I **'ll get** extra homework.
If I **get** extra homework, I **'ll have to** stay at home tomorrow night.
If I **have to** stay at home tomorrow night, I **'ll miss** the rock concert.
If I **miss** the rock concert, I **'ll lose** the fifteen pounds for the ticket.

- (1) If I **don't invite** my friends to my next birthday party, they **will** ...
- (2) If I **don't learn** for the next school test, my marks **will be** bad.
- (3) If I **don't spend** my pocket money carefully, I **won't have** any by the end of the month.
- (4) If I **don't do** my homework for school, the teacher **will be** angry with me.
- (5) If I **don't come** home on time¹ in the evening, my parents **will be** upset².
- (6) If I **don't clean** or **tidy up** my room, my mum **will ask** me to do it immediately³.
- (7) If I **write** a bad English test, I **will get** in trouble at home.

1 on time *pünktlich* 2 upset *verärgert* 3 immediately *sofort*

Weiterführende Übungen

Beachte, dass der *if*-Satz sowohl am Anfang als auch am Ende des Satzgefüges stehen kann!

- 1) If it ... (to rain), you ... (to become) wet.
- 2) You ... (to get) a stomach ache if you ... (to eat) too many sweets.
- 3) If you ... (to like) my shop, ... (to come back) again!
- 4) ... (not to tell) her about it if you ... (see) her.
- 5) If you ... (not to speak up), I ... (not to can hear) you.
- 6) You ... (to arrive) in time if you ... (to take) a fast train.
- 7) If the temperature ... (fall), the road ... (to become) icy.
- 8) If you ... (to leave) the bottle in the hot car, it ... (to burst).
- 9) If the temperature ... (to fall) below zero, water ... (to turn) to ice.
- 10) If you ... (not to tidy up) your room, you ... (not can go) to the party.
- 11) She ... (not to talk) to you any more if you ... (to be) so rude to her.
- 12) You ... (must come) and see me if you ... (to be) in my area.
- 13) If you ... (can do) this exercise without a mistake, you ... (not must! practise) any more.
- 14) If I ... (to learn), I ... (to pass) the exams.
- 15) We ... (not to swim) if the weather ... (to be) bad.
- 16) If he ... (to have) a temperature, he ... (to see) the doctor.
- 17) I ... (to be) very happy if my friends ... (to come).
- 18) If I ... (to earn) a lot of money, I ... (to fly) to New York.
- 19) If we ... (not to come) home in time, we ... (to miss) the film.
- 20) The teacher ... (not to be) happy if I ... (to forget) my homework again.
- 21) If our class ... (to go) to England, I ... (to visit) the Tower of London.