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Subject :- Conditional Sentence

We will talk about definition of conditional sentence and its types .

A- A conditional sentences consist of two parts : the condition (it mentions after (If)and the main clause .

- A conditional sentences have two parts or clauses that give a condition in the dependent clause and a result in the independent clause .The condition clause usually contains an if statement . - For example :-

If he studies hardly , he will success in exam .

An important notice :-

A main or independent clause mean a group of words having a subject and a finite verb while a subordinate or dependent clause lies after a conjunction and has not a full meaning unless it is mentioned after a main or independent clause.

For example :-

-I like the mobile which you have bought .

I like the mobile is a main or independent clause.

Which is a conjunction between two clauses .

You have bought is a subordinate or dependent clause .

Another example :-

-When the sun sets , I shall go home .

The sun sets is a subordinate or dependent clause. When is a conjunction between two clauses . I shall go home is a main or independent clause .

B-There are three types of conditional sentence :-

A possible condition and its probable result are used to express an event that is likely to happen .

It is formed by :

-If + condition sentence (subject + verb (present simple) + object) , (subject + shall , will , can , may + infinitive verb (present simple) + object) .

-Or , subject + shall , will , can , may + infinitive verb (present simple) + object) , if + condition sentence (subject + verb (present simple) + object . For example :-

If he asks me , I shall answer .

Her parents will be pleased if she passes the examination .