

What is Present Conditional?

Worksheet

The present conditional expresses actions that would occur if a condition were met. It is formed by adding -ais, -ais, -ait, -ions, -iez, -aient to the futur simple stem.

Questions

1. How is the present conditional formed?
A) Infinitive + conditional endings
B) Futur simple stem + imparfait endings
C) Imparfait + auxiliary
D) Present + would
2. What is the conditional form of 'être' for 'vous'?
A) vous étiez
B) vous seriez
C) vous serez
D) vous êtes
3. What is the main difference between futur and conditional endings?
A) Futur uses -ai; conditional uses -ais
B) Conditional uses -ai; futur uses -ais
C) No difference
D) Conditional adds -r-
4. 'Si j'avais de l'argent, je...' means...
A) If I have money, I...
B) If I had money, I would...
C) If I will have money, I...
D) If I have had money, I...
5. Form the conditional of 'parler' for 'je' and explain the stem.
6. What is the conditional form of 'avoir' for 'il'?
7. Form the conditional of 'pouvoir' for 'nous'.
8. Define: What is the present conditional used for?
9. Define: How is the conditional formed?
10. Define: Do conditional and futur simple share the same stem?

Answer Key

1. B) Futur simple stem + imparfait endings — Conditional = futur stem + imparfait endings (-ais, -ais, -ait, -ions, -iez, -aient).
2. B) vous seriez — Être conditional stem: ser- (same as futur). Vous seriez (you would be).
3. A) Futur uses -ai; conditional uses -ais — Futur: -ai, -as, -a. Conditional: -ais, -ais, -ait (with extra vowel).
4. B) If I had money, I would... — This is the imperfect + conditional condition: expressing a hypothetical situation and its result.
5. Futur stem: parler- (same as infinitive) Add imparfait ending -ais: je parlerais (I would speak)
Note: -ais (not -ai as in futur)
6. Futur stem (irregular): aur- Add imparfait ending -ait: il aurait (he would have)
7. Futur stem (irregular): pourr- Add imparfait ending -ions: nous pourrions (we would be able)
8. To express hypothetical actions, polite requests, advice, or predictions based on conditions.
9. Take the futur simple stem and add imparfait endings: -ais, -ais, -ait, -ions, -iez, -aient.
10. Yes. The only difference is the ending: futur uses -ai, -as, -a; conditional uses -ais, -ais, -ait.

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