

Activity Type

Grammar, Writing and Speaking Game: sentence completion, freer practice (group work)

Focus

Mixed conditional forms

Aim

To complete mixed conditional sentences.

Preparation

Make one copy of the cards for each group of three and cut as indicated.

Level

Intermediate (B1)

Time

30 minutes

Introduction

In this mixed conditionals game, students race each other to complete conditional sentences.

Procedure

Divide the students into groups of three. Groups of four are also possible by removing one card from the game.

Tell the students that they are going to play a card game to practice mixed conditional forms.

Give each group a set of cards.

Ask the students to shuffle the cards and place them face-down in a pile on the table.

One student begins by turning over the top card and reading the beginning of a conditional sentence aloud.

The other students in the group then race to complete the ending of the conditional sentence.

This could be done in written form with each student racing to write down an answer on a piece of paper, or you could have the students shout out an ending to the sentence.

The first student to produce a grammatically correct and appropriate conditional sentence keeps the card.

The next student then picks up a card and so on.

The student with the most cards at the end of the game is the winner.

Mixed Conditional Cards

If I saw a UFO,...

If it rains this weekend,...

If I could change one thing
about myself,...

If I hadn't come to
class today,...

If I had been born with
super powers,...

If my home was
near a beach,...

If I'm bored,...

If you send me flowers,...

Life would be
a lot easier...

If this country
were as cold
as the North Pole,...

If this was Saturday night,...

If I get lost,...

My home would
be much better...

If I found a wallet in the
street,...

If it were my
birthday today,...

If I were a teacher,...

If I wake up late,...

If you want to
speak English well,...

If I could meet any person in
the world,...

If I can't sleep,...

If I were alone on a desert
island,...