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The zero conditional

Grammar worksheet · Ficha de gramática inglesa: el zero conditional (if con present simple en las dos partes)

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3. If the baby (doesn't / don't / isn't) sleep, nobody sleeps.
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2. If the sky is clear at night,	•	• b)	he cries.
3. If you heat popcorn kernels,	•	• c)	it expands.
4. If you don't sleep enough,	•	• d)	you can see the stars.
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3 Complete with the present simple of the verbs in brackets.

Escriben los dos verbos en present simple: afirmativa, negativa con don't o doesn't, y la -s de la tercera persona.

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   → _____

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   → _____

3. You put paper in the fire. It burns.

   → _____

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   → _____

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   → _____

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   → _____

2. If the baby is hungry, she cry.

   → _____

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   → _____

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   → _____

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   → _____

6 Write about your habits and about things that are always true.

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If I am hungry after school, I _____

If it rains at the weekend, I _____

If my friends _____ , I

If you mix _____ , you get

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Respuesta libre. Ejemplo: If I am hungry after school, I have a sandwich. If it rains at the weekend, I watch series at home. If my friends are sad, I try to make them laugh. If you mix blue and white, you get light blue.