**Le Conditionnel**

The conditional tense is the ‘would’ tense e.g. If I won the lotto, I would buy a new car. If I was principal, I would change the rules.

To form this tense:

* Step 1: Take the infinitive of the verb
* Step 2: Add the following endings:

Je \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ais nous \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ions

Tu \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ais vous \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_iez

Il \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ait ils \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_aient

Elle \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ait ells \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_aient

**NOTE:** You must drop the ‘E’ off ‘RE’ verbs before adding your endings.

Examples:

* I would play (jouer)= je jouerais
* he would finish (finir)= il finirait
* we would sell (vendre)\* = nous vendrions

**Irregular Verbs**

For irregular verbs however, you can’t use the infinitive of the verb, you must use the irregular stem (which was used when we learnt the futur simple). The endings still stay the same. Below are the irregular verbs and their irregular stems:

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| **Verb** | **Irregular stem** | **Conditional tense** |
| Avoir (to have) | aur | J’aurais (I would have) |
| Être (to be) | ser | Je serais (I would be) |
| Aller (to go) | ir | J’irais (I would go) |
| Faire (to do) | fer | Je ferais (I would do) |
| Courir (to run) | courr | Je courrais (I would run) |
| Devoir (to have to) | devr | Je devrais (I would have to) |
| Envoyer (to send) | enverr | J’enverrais (I would send) |
| Pouvoir (to be able to) | pourr | Je pourrais (I would be able to) |
| Recevoir (to receive) | recevr | Je recevrais (I would receive) |
| Savoir (to know-info) | saur | Je saurais (I would know) |
| Tenir (to hold) | tiendr | Je tiendrais (I would hold) |
| Venir (to come) | Viendr | Je viendrais (I would come) |
| Voir (to see) | verr | Je verrais (I would see) |
| Vouloir (to want) | voudr | Je voudrais (I would want) |

**LES EXERCISES**

1. Translate these sentences using the infinitive in brackets:
2. I would build (bâtir)
3. He would play (jouer)
4. We would finish (finir)
5. You-plural would return (rendre)
6. I would buy (acheter)
7. You-sing would sell (vendre)
8. They-girls would accept (accepter)
9. He would drink (boire)
10. She would applaud (applaudir)
11. They-boys would blush (rougir)
12. Translate the following irregular verbs:
13. I would be able to =
14. He would receive=
15. We would see=
16. She would go=
17. They-boys would do=
18. You-plural would have to=
19. They-girls would have=
20. We would be=
21. I would receive=
22. She would want=
23. Translate these regular/ irregular verbs:
24. I would sell =
25. He would drink=
26. We would want=
27. She would have=
28. They-boys would change=
29. You-plural would come=
30. They-girls would hold=
31. You would eat=
32. I would return=
33. He would do=