

Fact or What-If

Sort verb moods by the meaning they show.

8.L.GC.1.58 "Usage: Use tenses and aspects to indicate the mood of a verb. (Introduce)"

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INDICATIVE MOOD

Use FACT for a verb that states something as real or certain. This is the indicative mood.

The comet appears at dusk.

CONDITIONAL MOOD

Use CONDITION for a verb that tells what would, could, or might happen in a certain situation. This is conditional mood.

Had the lantern held fuel, it might have glowed.

1 SORT _____ 8 items

Circle FACT or CONDITION for each sentence, then choose two items and explain which verb clues helped you sort them.

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| 1. The museum opens at nine each Saturday. | ☐ FACT | ☐ CONDITION |
| 2. We would hike the ridge if the trail were dry. | ☐ FACT | ☐ CONDITION |
| 3. If I had more time, I would learn Italian. | ☐ FACT | ☐ CONDITION |
| 4. Our class completed the lab yesterday. | ☐ FACT | ☐ CONDITION |
| 5. The dancers have practiced since August. | ☐ FACT | ☐ CONDITION |
| 6. Lena will present her report tomorrow. | ☐ FACT | ☐ CONDITION |
| 7. The team would celebrate if it won the final. | ☐ FACT | ☐ CONDITION |
| 8. The river is rising after the storm. | ☐ FACT | ☐ CONDITION |

2 PROVE IT Explain your thinking

Pick two items from Part 1. For each one, tell how you knew where it belonged.

ITEM # _____ HOW I KNEW _____

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3 MAKE YOUR OWN One of each

Write one new FACT sentence and one new CONDITION sentence.

FACT _____

CONDITION _____

CHALLENGE

Write a two-sentence situation: first state a fact, then state what would happen under a condition. Underline the conditional verb phrase.

PART 1 • SORT

#	ITEM	CATEGORY	WHY
1	The museum opens at nine each Saturday.	FACT	States a regular event as real.
2	We would hike the ridge if the trail were dry.	CONDITION	Would hike depends on the trail being dry.
3	If I had more time, I would learn Italian.	CONDITION	Would learn depends on having more time.
4	Our class completed the lab yesterday.	FACT	States a completed event as real.
5	The dancers have practiced since August.	FACT	States an ongoing action as real.
6	Lena will present her report tomorrow.	FACT	States a future event as expected or real.
7	The team would celebrate if it won the final.	CONDITION	Would celebrate depends on winning the final.
8	The river is rising after the storm.	FACT	States a current action as real.

PART 2 • PROVE IT

Accept any explanation that names the deciding feature from the rule box for the chosen item.

PART 3 • MAKE YOUR OWN (SAMPLE ANSWERS)

- **FACT:** Snow covers the field in January.
- **CONDITION:** If the key fit, the door would open.

Challenge: The library closes at six. If it stayed open later, _I would finish_ my research there.

Items 1, 4, 5, 6, and 8 are FACT. Items 2, 3, and 7 are CONDITION. For Part 2, accept explanations that identify a real statement or a result that depends on a condition.