Spanish Verbs – Conditional Tense
El condicional

↗ The conditional tense is used to talk about events that *would* happen in the future under certain circumstances.

↗ All three verb types, -AR, -ER and –IR have the same conjugation endings in this tense.

✦ **Steps to conjugate regular -AR, -ER and -IR verbs in the conditional tense:**
1. Identify the infinitive form of the verb.
2. Choose the appropriate ending.
3. Add the ending **directly** to the infinitive form of the verb. **DO NOT DROP** the –AR, -ER, or -IR ending from the verb.

-AR/ -ER/ -IR			
yo	**-ía**	nosotros	**- íamos**
tú	**-ías**	vosotros	**- íais**
él/ella/ usted	**-ía**	ellos/ellas/ ustedes	**- ían**

pintar – *to paint*	
yo **pintaría** – *I would paint*	nosotros **pintaríamos** – *We would paint*
tú **pintarías** – *You would paint*	vosotros **pintaríais** – *You (pl.) would paint*
él/ella/usted **pintaría** – *He/she/you (formal) would paint*	ellos/ellas/ustedes **pintarían** – *They/you (pl.) would paint*

correr – *to run*	
yo **correría** – *I would run*	nosotros **correríamos** – *We would run*
tú **correrías** – *You would run*	vosotros **correríais** – *You (pl.) would run*
él/ella/usted **correría** – *He/she/you (formal) would run*	ellos/ellas/ustedes **correrían** – *They/you(pl.) would run*

describir – *to describe*	
yo **describiría** – *I would describe*	nosotros **describiríamos** – *We would describe*
tú **describirías** – *You would describe*	vosotros **describiríais** – *You (pl.) would describe*
él/ella/usted **describiría** – *He/she/you (formal) would describe*	ellos/ellas/ustedes **describirían** – *They/you (pl.) would describe*

↗ In English the word *should* can also indicate the conditional tense. In Spanish the verb ***deber*** – to ought to or "to should"- indicates the conditional.

deber – to ought to	
yo **debo** – I ought to/ I should	nosotros **debemos** – We ought to/ should
tú **debes** – You ought to/ you should	vosotros **debéis** – You pl. ought to/ should
él/ella/usted **debe** – He/she/you formal ought/ should	ellos/ellas/ustedes **deben** – They/you pl. ought to/ should

⊡ ***Debemos quedarnos en casa porque está nevando.***
    We should stay home because it is snowing.

↗ There are many common verbs that use an irregular stem when forming the conditional tense instead of the entire infinitive. These irregular stems are also used in the future tense.

Verb	**Irregular Stem**
poder – *to be able to*	↗ podr-
haber – *to have (aux.)*	↗ habr-
caber – *to fit*	↗ cabr-
saber – *to know*	↗ sabr-
querer – *to want or to love*	↗ querr-
poner – *to put*	↗ pondr-
salir– *to go out*	↗ saldr-
tener – *to have*	↗ tendr-
venir – *to come*	↗ vendr-
valer – *to be worth*	↗ valdr-
decir – *to say*	↗ dir-
hacer – *to do or to make*	↗ har-

⊡ ***Haría la tarea contigo pero la profesora no nos permite hacerlo juntos.***
    I would do the homework with you but the professor doesn't allow us to do it together.

⊡ ***Querríamos estudiar juntos.***
    We would like to study together.

⊡ ***Me dijo que vendría conmigo.***
    He told me that he would come with me.

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The conditional tense of a verb is used when someone is saying a hypothetical statement. This is generally used as "would, could". Here are some examples of verbs used in the Conditional Tense:

Conditional Tense	Verb	Translation	Eng	Span	Eng	Span	Eng	Span	Eng	Span	Eng	Span
-	Poder	To be able to	I would be able to	Yo podría	You informal would be able to	Tú podrías	He, she, you formal would be able to	Él, ella, usted podría	We would be able to	Nosotros podríamos	They, you plural would be able to	Ellos, ellas, ustedes podrían
-	Estar	To be	I would be	Yo estaría	You informal would be	Tú estarías	He, she, you formal would be	Él, ella, usted estaría	We would be	Nosotros estaríamos	They, you plural would be	Ellos, ellas, ustedes estarían
-	Venir	To come	I would come	Yo vendría	You informal would come	Tú vendrías	He, she, you formal would come	Él, ella, usted vendría	We would come	Nosotros vendríamos	They, you plural would come	Ellos, ellas, ustedes vendrían
-	Cantar	To sing	I would sing	Yo cantaría	You informal would sing	Tú cantarías	He, she, you formal would sing	Él, ella, usted cantaría	We would sing	Nosotros cantaríamos	They, you plural would sing	Ellos, ellas, ustedes cantarían
-	Tratar de	To try to do something	I would try	Yo trataría de	You informal would try	Tú tratarías de	He, she, you formal would try	Él, ella, usted trataría de	We would try	Nosotros traríamos de	They, you plural would try	Ellos, ellas, ustedes trarían de

Conditional Verb Sentences

1. She would try- <u>Trataría de</u>

    <u>English-</u> She would try to jump on the bed if her parents allowed her.

    <u>Spanish-</u> <u>Trataría de</u> saltar en la cama sit us padres la dejaran.

2. We would come- <u>Vendríamos</u>

    <u>English-</u> We would come to the party, but my daughter has a doctor's appointment that day.

    <u>Spanish-</u> <u>Vendríamos</u> a la fiesta, pero mi hija tiene una cita con el doctor ese día.

3. I would be able to- <u>Yo podría</u>

    <u>English-</u>I would be able to walk to the store, but I don't feel well today.

    <u>Spanish-</u> <u>Podría</u> caminar a la tieda, pero no me siento bien hoy.

4. You (informal) would be- <u>Estarías</u>

    <u>English-</u> Normally at this time, you would be in class, but today you are at home.

    <u>Spanish-</u> Normalmente a esta hora, <u>estarías</u> en la clase, pero hoy tú estás en casa.

5. They would sing- <u>Cantarían</u>

    <u>English-</u> They would sing, but no one has given them an opportunity

    <u>Spanish-</u> <u>Cantarían</u>, pero nadie los ha dado una oportunidad.