

# CONDITIONALS



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2. If we dump all sorts of chemicals into rivers, we **WON'T BE ABLE TO** swim in them in the future.
3. If we **DON'T STOP** cutting down so many trees, we **WILL ENDANGER** our oxygen supply.
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