

When vs If

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Hi, I'm Roy and today I'm going to tell you the difference between **when** and **if**.

Firstly, you can use **when** or **if** with the present simple when it is a fact, or a repeated action.

If or when you put water in the freezer, it becomes ice.

We use **if** for unknown or possible situations

If it rains today, I'll take my umbrella.

We use **when** to say we are certain something is going to happen in the future.

When I go home, I'll watch a film.

Compare these two sentences:

If I eat breakfast today, I'll have toast.

I might not eat breakfast

When I eat breakfast today, I'll have toast.

I will eat breakfast

Anyway, that's everything for today. I've got go because I'm hungry. If I don't eat breakfast, I get grumpy.

Bye.