

The three meanings of 'Then'

■ Which meaning of 'then' is being used in the following sentences?

Q1. The movie will be over by 9pm; we can have dinner then.

- Next At that time In that case

Q2. He exited the car, then everyone screamed.

- Next At that time In that case

Q3. Let's go over the plan first, then we can talk about who keeps what.

- Next At that time In that case

Q4. So, the president refuses to meet our demands...then what?

- Next At that time In that case

Q5. If Messi plays, then I'm sure Barça will win!

- Next At that time In that case

■ Re-write the sentences below **without** using the word 'then'.

Q6. I was more flexible when I was younger. It was easier to stretch then.

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Q7. If he doesn't give us the money, then we'll break his legs.

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Q8. Let's say all the doors were blocked; how would you escape from the building then?

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Q9. The first bell goes at 8:30; we'll do the dictation then.

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Q10. First you say 'hello,' then I say 'goodbye.'

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ANSWERS

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Q2. Next

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Q5. In that case

Q6. I was more flexible when I was younger. It was easier to stretch at that time.

Q7. If he doesn't give us the money, in that case we'll break his legs.

Q8. Let's say all the doors were blocked; how would you escape from the building in that case?

Q9. The first bell goes at 8:30; we'll do the dictation at that time.

Q10. First you say 'hello,' next I say 'goodbye.'

Or

First you say 'hello,' and I say 'goodbye' after that.