

THE SECOND CONDITIONAL

1 THEORY

Task 1: Study the theory below.

We use the second conditional when we talk about imaginary / unrealistic events.

If + past simple, would + infinitive

would + infinitive, if + past simple

Important:

When we use the second conditional, we use *I* with *were*.

Examples:

- If I were rich, I would donate a lot of money to charity.
- If I were president, I would focus on climate change.





2 FORMING SECOND CONDITIONAL SENTENCES

Task: Complete the sentences using the correct structure for the second conditional.

1. If she (know) **knew** how to play the guitar, she (start) **would start** a band.
2. If I (be) **was** a superhero, I (help) **would help** people in need.
3. If he (win) **won** the competition, he (celebrate) **would celebrate** with his friends.
4. If we (live) **lived** by the beach, we (go) **would go** swimming every day.
5. If they (find) **found** a magic lamp, they (make) **would make** three wishes.
6. If she (speak) **spoke** Spanish fluently, she (travel) **would travel** to Latin America.
7. If he (get) **got** the job, he (move) **would move** to a new city.
8. If it (rain) **rained** tomorrow, we (stay) **would stay** indoors and play board games.
9. If they (study) **studied** harder, they (get) **would get** better grades.
10. If he (have) **had** more time, he (learn) **would learn** how to cook.
11. If she (win) **won** the lottery, she (buy) **would buy** a mansion.
12. If we (see) **saw** a shooting star, we (make) **would make** a wish.
13. If he (meet) **met** a famous celebrity, he (ask) **would ask** for an autograph.
14. If they (save) **saved** enough money, they (start) **would start** their own business.
15. If she (find) **found** a time machine, she (visit) **would visit** different historical periods.



3 CORRECT THE MISTAKES

The following sentences use the second conditional incorrectly. Can you correct them?

1. If I **had** a private jet, I **would** travel to exotic places every month.
2. If she **knew** how to speak Mandarin, she would **live** in China.
3. If they **won** the lottery, they **would** donate a portion of the money to charity.
4. If he was a famous actor, he would **attend** red carpet events and premieres.
5. If we **lived** on a farm, we would grow our own vegetables and raise animals.
6. If it rained every day, the plants **would** thrive and the rivers **would** overflow.
7. If she found a magic potion, she would use it to **gain** superpowers.
8. If they **studied** astronomy, they would be able to identify stars in the night sky.
9. If he **built** a time machine, he **would visit** historical events firsthand.
10. If we **spoke** ten languages, we **would** become professional translators.
11. If she **had** a culinary degree, she **would open** her own restaurant.
12. If they **discovered** a hidden treasure, they **would share** their findings with the world.
13. If he can fly, he would explore the world from a bird's-eye view.
14. If we **had** the power to stop time, we **would** have unlimited time for all our activities.
15. If she **knew** how to code, she would **develop** her own mobile apps.





4 COMPLETE THE SENTENCES

Task: Complete the following sentences using the second conditional.

- Try to create fun, outlandish endings to the sentences.
- Thinking outside of the box will allow you to enrich your vocabulary.

1. If she were a famous author, _____.
2. If they won a trip to space, _____.
3. If he knew how to play the piano, _____.
4. If we lived in a castle, _____.
5. If I could speak any language, _____.
6. If he were a time traveller, _____.
7. If they had the ability to talk to animals, _____.
8. If she were the president of the country, _____.
9. If we discovered a new planet, _____.
10. If he had a magic wand, _____.
11. If they could turn invisible, _____.
12. If she knew the secret to eternal youth, _____.
13. If we could teleport anywhere, _____.
14. If he were a world-famous chef, _____.
15. If they found a hidden treasure map, _____.

5 HYPOTHETICAL QUESTION TIME

Task: Answer the following questions using the second conditional.

- Try to create fun, outlandish answers to the hypothetical questions.
- Thinking outside of the box will allow you to enrich your vocabulary.

1. If you could travel back in time, where and when would you go?
2. If you had the power to speak any language fluently, which one would you choose?
3. If you won a million dollars in the lottery, how would you spend it?
4. If you could meet any historical figure, who would it be and why?
5. If you were stranded on a deserted island, what three things would you want to have with you?
6. If you could have any superpower, what would it be and how would you use it?
7. If you were in charge of planning a perfect day, what activities would you include?
8. If you could live in any fictional world from a movie, which one would you choose?
9. If you were the ruler of a country, what changes would you make to improve the lives of your citizens?
10. If you could have dinner with any celebrity, who would it be and what would you talk about?
11. If you were a scientist, what groundbreaking discovery would you want to make?
12. If you could change one event in history, what would it be and how might it impact the present?
13. If you had the ability to transform into any animal, which one would you choose?
14. If you could design your dream house, what unique features would it have?
15. If you were a professional athlete, what sport would you choose to compete in?



6 GRAMMAR COMPREHENSION

Task 1: Read the text in the box.

The Perfect Day Off

Imagine you have a day off from all responsibilities, and you can plan your perfect day. Let's see how three different people would spend their ideal day.

Person 1: Alex

Alex loves adventure and the outdoors. If he could plan his perfect day, he would go skydiving in the morning, have a picnic near a serene lake in the afternoon, and end the day by stargazing and camping under the night sky.

Person 2: Maria

Maria is a bookworm and a lover of arts. If she had a free day, she would spend the morning in a cosy café, reading her favourite novel. In the afternoon, she'd visit an art museum to admire beautiful paintings and sculptures. Finally, she would attend a live theatre performance in the evening.

Person 3: Carlos

Carlos enjoys relaxation and pampering. If he were planning his perfect day, he would start with a luxurious spa morning, followed by a leisurely gourmet lunch at a high-end restaurant. He would end the day with a movie marathon of his favourite classic films.

Task 2: Answer the comprehension questions.

1. What outdoor activities would Alex do on his perfect day?
2. How would Maria spend her afternoon on her ideal day off?
3. If Carlos could plan a perfect day, what kind of movie marathon would he have?

Task 3: Practice using the second conditional below.

- a. If you had a day off, what adventurous activity would you choose to do ?
- b. If you were an art lover, how would you spend your afternoon?
- c. If you could have a luxurious experience, what would you treat yourself to?





HOMework

1 GRAMMAR COMPREHENSION

Task 1: Read the text in the box.

Superpowers Fantasies

Imagine you have the ability to possess any superpower you choose. Let's explore the superpower choices of three individuals.

Person 1: Jake

Jake is a nature lover and an animal enthusiast. If he could have any superpower, he would choose the power to communicate with animals. He dreams of talking to dolphins, understanding the language of birds, and even befriending the wild creatures of the forest.

Person 2: Maya

Maya is passionate about helping others. If she were granted a superpower, she would want to have the power of healing. She envisions herself travelling the world to provide instant relief to those who are sick or injured, bringing smiles to people's faces.

Person 3: Liam

Liam is fascinated by space and the universe. If he could possess a superpower, he would pick the power of teleportation. He imagines himself instantly transporting to distant planets, witnessing cosmic phenomena, and exploring the far reaches of the galaxy.

Task 2: Answer the comprehension questions.

1. What superpower would Jake like to have, and how does he imagine using it?
2. How would Maya use her superpower if she could heal people?
3. If Liam had the power of teleportation, what places would he visit?

Task 3: Practice using the second conditional below.

- a. If you could communicate with animals, which animals would you talk to and why?
- b. If you had the power to heal, who would you help and how?
- c. If you could teleport to any location, where would you go and why?

2 COMPLETE THE SENTENCES

On a separate piece of paper, write detailed endings to the following sentence halves.

- Try to create fun, outlandish endings to the sentences.
- Thinking outside of the box will allow you to enrich your vocabulary.

1. If I were an astronaut, _____.
2. If they won a trip around the world, _____.
3. If he could be a professional sports person, _____.
4. If we lived in a different century, _____.
5. If she had a time machine, _____.
6. If he were a famous scientist, _____.
7. If they discovered a new species, _____.
8. If I could choose any career, _____.
9. If she won a scholarship to any university, _____.
10. If they had the ability to fly, _____.
11. If he were a character in a book, _____.
12. If we owned a magical bookstore, _____.

