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Grammar

Second conditional

I can talk about imaginary situations and their consequences.

1 Complete the second conditional sentences with the correct form of the verbs below.

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- 1 If you had a problem, I you.
- 2 If I more time, I'd see more of my friends.
- 3 I the bus to school if I had a bike.
- 4 If you so late, you wouldn't be so tired in the morning.
- 5 How you if Sam didn't invite you to his party?
- 6 My parents cross if I didn't revise for my exams.
- 7 You afford a new mobile if you didn't waste your money on DVDs and games.
- 8 If I the lottery, I'd buy my mum a new car.

2 Complete the money-saving tips with the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

READERS' *top tips!*

We asked readers what they would do if they needed to save money. Here are their ideas!

- 1 If we (drive) more slowly, we (not use) so much petrol.
- 2 If we only (buy) the food we needed, we (not throw) so much food away.
- 3 If we (borrow) books and DVDs from libraries, we (not have to) buy them.
- 4 If we (drink) water from the tap rather than bottled water, we (save) a lot of money.
- 5 If everyone (wear) an extra jumper or two in the winter, they (can) turn down their heating and save money.
- 6 If degree courses (be) shorter, students (spend) less on tuition fees and accommodation.
- 7 If we (turn off) the lights every time we left a room, we (not use) so much electricity.

3 Complete the second conditional questions in the quiz below with the correct form of the verbs in brackets. Then do the quiz.

What would you do if ...

- 1 you (see) a road accident?
 film it on my mobile
 call the police
 help the people in the accident
- 2 your friend (give) you a present that you (not like)?
 throw it away
 ask your friend to change it
 keep it and say nothing
- 3 you (can) speak perfect English?
 move to Britain or the USA
 become an interpreter
 learn more languages
- 4 you (know) that a classmate was cheating in an exam?
 tell the teacher
 talk to the classmate about it
 nothing
- 5 you (break) your friend's mobile?
 give him / her your mobile
 buy a new one
 say that you didn't break it
- 6 you (find) €100 in school?
 keep it
 give it to a teacher
 give it to a charity

4 Now write your answers to the quiz in exercise 3 as conditional sentences.

- 1 If I saw a road accident, I'd _____
- 2 _____
- 3 _____
- 4 _____
- 5 _____
- 6 _____