SECOND CONDITIONAL

A. Grammar Summary

Structure	Example	Use
If + Past Simple, would + V	If people protected forests, endangered animals would have safer habitats.	To talk about imaginary, unreal or unlikely situations in the present or future.
Would + V + if + Past Simple	Endangered animals would have safer habitats if people protected forests.	The order of the clauses can change without changing the meaning.

Notes

- The **if**-clause uses the Past Simple.
- The main clause uses **would + base verb.**
- We use the Second Conditional to talk about imaginary or unlikely situations, or to give advice.
- ***If I* were ...** is commonly used instead of ***If I* was ...** in formal English.



B. Exercise 1 – Put the verbs in brackets into the correct form.

Complete the sentences using the Second Conditional.

1. If people _____ (protect) more forests, endangered animals _____ (have) safer habitats.
2. If I _____ (be) a wildlife expert, I _____ (work) in a national park.
3. If everyone _____ (stop) buying products made from wild animals, many species _____ (survive).
4. If we _____ (have) more national parks, animals _____ (live) more safely.
5. If people _____ (not throw) rubbish into rivers, the water _____ (be) much cleaner.
6. If I _____ (see) an injured wild animal, I _____ (call) a rescue centre.
7. If there _____ (be) more forests, many animals _____ (not lose) their homes.
8. If children _____ (learn) more about wildlife, they _____ (care) more about nature.
9. If I _____ (live) near a rainforest, I _____ (visit) it every weekend.
10. If people _____ (not hunt) endangered animals, their population _____ (increase).

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