



## Wishes

### The Second Conditional:

## Grammar Second conditional

Second conditional sentences describe “unreal” or imaginary situations. Use a past tense verb in the **if clause** (the condition). Use **would** in the main clause.

What would you **do** if you **had** more money?

If I **had** more money, I **would buy** a camera.

Use **were** for the past tense of **be** in the condition.

Would you **travel** if you **were** rich?

Yes, I **would**.

No, I **wouldn't**.

Yes. If I **were** rich, I'd **travel** a lot.

No. I **wouldn't travel** a lot if I **were** rich.

### Activity 1:

Complete the sentences with the corresponding verb form in parenthesis.

1. If I (**find**) \_\_\_\_\_ some money on the street, I (**take**) \_\_\_\_\_ to the police.
2. If my brother (**be**) \_\_\_\_\_ a famous actor, he (**earn**) \_\_\_\_\_ a lot of money.
3. Life (**be**) \_\_\_\_\_ different if we (**not have**) \_\_\_\_\_ telephones.
4. If I (**have**) \_\_\_\_\_ one wish, I (**ask**) \_\_\_\_\_ for a new car.
5. If we (**live**) \_\_\_\_\_ in the country, we (**have**) \_\_\_\_\_ more space.

**Activity 2:**

**Instructions:** Complete the following imaginary situations with what you think your partner would do.

**I think you would wish...**  
**STUDENT A**

1. If you were given an unlimited amount of money, I think you would \_\_\_\_\_.

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2. If you could have any job in the world, I think you \_\_\_\_\_.

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3. If you could be any age for a week, I think you \_\_\_\_\_.

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**I think you would wish...**  
**STUDENT B**

1. If you could live anywhere in the world, I think you would \_\_\_\_\_.

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2. If you could have a superpower, I think you \_\_\_\_\_.

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3. If you had more money, I think you \_\_\_\_\_.

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