

GRAMMAR

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Second Conditional

SHOW WHAT YOU KNOW

1 Complete the First Conditional sentences with the correct forms of the verbs in brackets.

Zoe wants to go to the cinema with her friends tonight, but ...

If she goes (go) to the cinema, she 'll miss (miss) the last bus home.

1 If she ^a _____ (not/catch) the last bus, she ^b _____ (have to take) a taxi.

2 It ^a _____ (cost) a lot of money if she ^b _____ (go home) by taxi.

3 She ^a _____ (not/have) any money for the weekend if she ^b _____ (spend) it all tonight.

4 If she ^a _____ (not/have) any money at the weekend, what ^b _____ (she/do)?

2 ★ Choose the correct verb forms.

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To go or not to go – that is the question!

We asked some teenagers ...

What ¹would I ²do you miss about home if you ³went I ⁴'d go to study in another country?

This is what they said ...

Diego 15:

My mum's cooking. I ⁵'d miss / missed her food if I ⁶'d live / ⁷lived anywhere except home. Can you put empanadas in the post?

Elle and Anna (Twins) 17:

We ⁸'d never see / ⁹never saw our cats if we ¹⁰'d study / ¹¹studied in another country. We really love them. If we ¹²'d get / ¹³got the chance to study in another country, we ¹⁴wouldn't / ¹⁵didn't leave without them.

Tom 16:

If I ¹⁶'d do / ¹⁷did a course in another country, I ¹⁸wouldn't / ¹⁹didn't miss anything except my family. One day, I want to live in the US or Canada for a few years.

Camilla 17:

If I ²⁰went / ²¹go to study in another country, I ²²'d feel / ²³felt lonely without my boyfriend. I can't imagine life on my own.

3 ★★ Complete the dialogue between Jason and Holly with Second Conditional sentences. Use the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

J: I really like her, Holly, but I don't think I should tell her.

H: Wrong! You should definitely tell her.

J: Really? But, if I told (tell) her, she ¹ _____ (know).

H: Er ... obviously! That's the idea.

J: But, if she ² _____ (know), I ³ _____ (feel) totally embarrassed. I wouldn't even be able to look at her. Anyway, she probably doesn't even like me.

H: Look Jason, I'll tell you a secret. Listen. Let's just say I had a very similar conversation with her yesterday.

If I ⁴ _____ (be) you, I ⁵ _____ (tell) her.

J: What? Really?

H: Jason, she feels the same way about you! Will you just go and find her NOW and ask her on a date?

J: Now? No way! What ⁶ _____ (I/say) if

I ⁷ _____ (see) her now? I'm not ready.

H: Oh Jason! You're nearly eighteen. It's time to be a man!

4 ★★★ Rewrite the sentences. Use the Second Conditional.

Ben doesn't have a job in the mountains this winter, because he has exams soon.

Ben would have a job in the mountains this winter if he didn't have exams soon.

1 He doesn't have a job in the mountains, so he doesn't go snowboarding every week.

He _____

2 He doesn't go snowboarding every week, so he's not good at it.

If _____

3 He doesn't teach Charlotte to snowboard because he's not good at it.

He _____

4 He doesn't teach Charlotte, so they don't spend time together.

If _____

SHOW WHAT YOU'VE LEARNT

5 Find and correct the mistakes. One sentence is correct.

Jenny would get long holidays if she would be a teacher. she was

1 Adam wouldn't live with his parents if he had a job in Milan. _____

2 If Pedro would be a plumber, he'd fix the pipes in the kitchen. _____

3 If you'd worked for your father, would you argue all the time? _____

4 If I were you, I'd put it on now because it's getting cold. _____

5 We moved out of our flat if houses weren't so expensive. _____

6 Would you be surprised if your country win the World Cup? _____

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