

Conditional Sentences – Second Condition

Verb Tenses in Second Conditional Sentences

Complete the following sentences using the correct form of the verb provided.

1. It's Monday today, but if it _____ (be) Saturday, I _____ (go) to the beach.
2. I don't have any money now, but if I _____ (have) some, I _____ (lend) it to you.
3. I have to work tomorrow, but if I _____ (be) free, I _____ (go) shopping with you.
4. Amy can only speak one language, but if she _____ (can) speak two languages, she _____ (apply) for a job at the Multicultural Center.
5. Sue doesn't know how to knit. If she _____ (know) how to knit, she _____ (make) a sweater for you for your birthday.
6. I don't own a pair of skis. If I _____ (have) skis, I _____ (go) skiing with you tomorrow.
7. I can't understand what he's saying. If he _____ (speak) more clearly, I _____ (understand) more.
8. We are not going to buy that house, but if it _____ (be) a little cheaper, we _____ (buy) it.
9. He is not going to pass his exam. If he _____ (study) harder, he _____ (pass).
10. John has a lot of car accidents. If he _____ (drive) more carefully, he _____ (have) fewer accidents.
11. Beth eats a lot of junk food. If she _____ (eat) healthier food, she _____ (lose) weight.
12. Robert smokes a lot. If he _____ (quit) smoking, his cough _____ (get) better.
13. Frank is always tired. If he _____ (go) to bed earlier every night, he _____ (feel) much better.

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Directions: Choose the correct verb tense in each of the following sentences.

1. If I were hungry, I _____ a sandwich.
2. I would buy a new car if I _____ more money.
3. If he _____ his homework everyday, he would get better marks.
4. If our parents were here, they _____ us what to do.
5. I would help her if she _____ me.
6. If I found a \$20 dollar bill on the street, I _____ it.
7. I _____ to your party on Saturday if I didn't have to work.
8. I would call them if I _____ their telephone number.

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| 1. a) make | b) will make | c) would make |
| 2. a) had | b) have | c) will have |
| 3. a) does | b) did | c) will do |
| 4. a) told | b) would tell | c) tell |
| 5. a) will ask | b) asked | c) asks |
| 6. a) will keep | b) kept | c) would keep |
| 7. a) came | b) would come | c) will come |
| 8. a) knew | b) know | c) will know |

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A. Matching Exercise

Match the first part of the sentence on the left with the correct ending on the right.

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| 1. If I were hungry... _____ | A. if I were bald. |
| 2. If I were thirsty... _____ | B. if the neighbors were very noisy. |
| 3. I would go to the dentist... _____ | C. I would take it again. |
| 4. I would buy a wig... _____ | D. if I came to work late again. |
| 5. I would quit my job... _____ | E. I would eat something. |
| 6. If I saw a bad car accident... _____ | F. if I had to work overtime every day. |
| 7. I would move... _____ | G. I would move to Mexico. |
| 8. If I spoke Spanish... _____ | H. I would make some lemonade. |
| 9. If I failed the course... _____ | I. I would call an ambulance. |
| 10. The boss would fire me... _____ | J. if I had a tooth ache. |

B. Sentence Completion

Complete the following sentences using your own words.

1. If I had some free time, _____.
2. I would move to a bigger apartment if _____.
3. If I had a bike, _____.
4. I would walk to school everyday if _____.
5. I would go to the doctor if _____.
6. If I had a roommate, _____.
7. If I knew his name, _____.
8. If I had a dog, _____.

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Directions: Read the conditional sentences below and answer the questions that follow each one.

Ex. If it weren't raining, I would go for a long walk.

a. Is it raining? Yes. b. Am I going for a long walk? No.

1. If I knew her well, I would call her.

a. Do I know her well? _____ b. Am I going to call her? _____

2. If he had a university degree, he would apply for the job.

a. Does he have a university degree? _____ b. Is he going to apply for the job? _____
c. Does he want to apply for the job? _____

3. If I couldn't speak French, I wouldn't go to France for my month long vacation.

a. Can I speak French? _____ b. Am I going to France for my vacation? _____

4. If I owned a car, I wouldn't take the bus to work.

a. Do I own a car? _____ b. Do I take the bus to work? _____
c. Would I rather drive to work than take the bus? _____

5. If I had a lot of money, I would lend you some.

a. Do I have a lot of money? _____ b. Am I going to lend you some money? _____

6. If I didn't have such fair skin, I probably wouldn't sunburn so badly.

a. Do I have fair skin? _____ b. Do I get bad sunburns? _____

7. If I were afraid to watch scary movies, I wouldn't go to that show.

a. Am I afraid to watch scary movies? _____ b. Am I going to go to that show? _____

8. If I didn't have a lot of homework tonight, I would go to your party.

a. Do I have a lot of homework tonight? _____ b. Am I going to go to your party tonight? _____
c. Do I want to go to your party? _____

Second Conditional – *What's your Advice?*

Directions: Read the following situations and then give advice using the second condition.

ex. Your friend eats a lot of junk food and sweets and then complains that he is fat.

If you ate healthier, you wouldn't have a problem with your weight.

1. Andrea doesn't pay attention in class. Then she doesn't understand the homework.

2. Bob is always late because he doesn't wear a watch.

3. Maria is not a good tennis player because she never practices.

4. Father always burns the dinner because he doesn't set the timer on the oven.

5. Johnny's mom often gets mad at Johnny because he doesn't pick up his toys.

6. Ben gets a lot of speeding tickets because he drives too fast.

7. Andrew coughs a lot because he smokes.

8. Claire doesn't feel good because she doesn't exercise.

9. Betty can never take a vacation because she spends all her money on new clothes.

10. Kevin doesn't get good grades because he doesn't study much.

Second Condition – Negative Sentences

Complete the following sentences with the correct tense of the verbs provided.

1. If I _____ (be) you, I _____ (not/go) to that restaurant. The food is terrible.
2. She _____ (be) at work today if she _____ (not/have) such a bad headache.
3. If he _____ (not/go) to bed so late every night, he _____ (not/be) so tired every day.
4. If you _____ (not/live) so far away from me, I _____ (visit) you every weekend.
5. Sophia _____ (not/marry) Andrew if she _____ (not/love) him.
6. Betty _____ (go) to the party if her baby _____ (not/be) sick.
7. If I _____ (not/be) on a diet, I _____ (eat) a piece of your chocolate cake.
8. I _____ (not/take) the bus to school if I _____ (live) closer.
9. If I _____ (drink) coffee in the evening, I _____ (not/be able) to sleep.
10. I _____ (buy) that computer if it _____ (not/be) so expensive.
11. If I _____ (not/have) such a bad cold, I _____ (not/be) in bed now.
12. If you _____ (not/have) your sales receipt, the store _____ (not/give) you your money back.
13. If you _____ (not/give) the taxi driver a tip, he _____ (be) angry.
14. If I _____ (not/have to) work tonight, I _____ (go) to the football game with you.

Comparing First and Second Conditional Sentences *with Hope and Wish*

Read the examples below using hope and wish and the first and second condition.

I hope it is sunny tomorrow. *If it is sunny, I will go to the beach.*

I hope I get the job. *If I get the job, we will go to a restaurant and celebrate.*

I wish I were ten years younger. *If I were younger, I would travel around the world.*

I wish I didn't have to work tonight. *If I didn't have to work, I would go to your party.*

Read the examples below using hope and wish and the first and second condition.

1. I hope I pass the exam. If _____

2. I hope John comes to the party. If _____

3. I wish I had a dog. If _____

4. I wish I could speak Spanish fluently. If _____

5. I wish I lived in a bigger apartment. If _____

6. I wish I weren't so shy. If _____

7. I hope I win the tennis match tomorrow. If _____

8. I wish I could afford to travel. If _____

9. I hope the plane arrives on time. If _____

10. I wish I knew her address. If _____

Second Conditional Sentences

What Would You Do and How Would You Feel?

Answer the following questions using the second condition.

1. What would you do if you saw someone having a heart attack? _____

2. What would you do if a fire broke out in your house or apartment? _____

3. How would you feel if you went to a party and you were the only one who didn't bring a present?

4. What would you do if you were lying in bed late at night and you heard someone trying to break into your house? How would you feel?

5. What would you do if your neighbors had noisy parties every week-end?

6. How would you feel if your landlord told you that you had to move out of your apartment in one week? What would you do?

7. How would you feel if your teacher told you that you were going to have a big exam tomorrow? What would you do?
