



USE THE SECOND  
CONDITIONAL



## Second Conditional

What is a conditional?

How many conditional forms do we have in English?

# What Is A Conditional?

A conditional is a very special type of sentence in English. It is used to express that **an action happens based on a condition**. In other words, event B (the result) only happens if event A (the condition) happens.

# What Is A Conditional?

There are five types of conditional sentences in English;

Zero Conditional

First Conditional

Second Conditional

Third Conditional

Mixed Conditional

# What Is A Conditional?

Each of these conditional sentences uses a different structure (different tenses) to express a different sequence of events.

# What Is A Conditional?

Conditional sentences also include a conditional conjunction. The most common conditional conjunctions are **IF** and **WHEN**, which is what we'll use in this course today.

If I won the lottery, I would buy a new house





EVENT A

EVENT B

If I won the lottery, I would buy a new house

Unlikely future  
situation

Hypothetical



EVENT A

EVENT B

If I had his mobile number, I would call him

Impossible present  
situation



If + past simple

Would + infinitive

If I won the lottery, I would buy a new house

If + past simple

Would + infinitive

If I had his mobile number, I would call him



If + past simple

Would + infinitive

If I met a celebrity, I wouldn't be excited



If + past simple

Would + infinitive

If you met a celebrity, would you be excited?



If + past simple

If I won the  
lottery,

Would + infinitive

I would buy a new house

Would + infinitive

I would buy a new house

If + past simple

if I won the lottery

If + past simple

Could + infinitive

If I won the lottery, I **could** buy a new house





If + past simple

Might + infinitive

If I won the lottery, I **might** buy a new house



If it won the lottery, I  
**could/might** buy a  
new house

0%

100%



If it won the lottery, I  
**would** buy a new  
house

If + past simple

Would + infinitive

If I were you, I would apologise to him

If I were  
If you were  
If he were  
If she were  
If it were  
If we were  
If they were



# Practice 1

Finish the Sentence

If I won the lottery ...



If my house were on fire ...



If I lost my job ...



If I were president ...



If I were invisible ...



If I were an animal ...



If I were a plant ...



If I spoke English fluently





If the world ended  
tomorrow ...



If aliens landed on our  
planet ...



If I were a colour ...



If I saw a celebrity in the  
shops ...



If I found a pot of gold ...



If I were the most powerful  
person in the world ...



If I had 24 hours to live ...



If I were the world's best  
musician ...



If I chose a superhero ...



If I travelled to a different  
planet ...



If I invented a futuristic  
technology ...



If I were king/ queen





# Practice 2

Conversation time!

# Any questions?



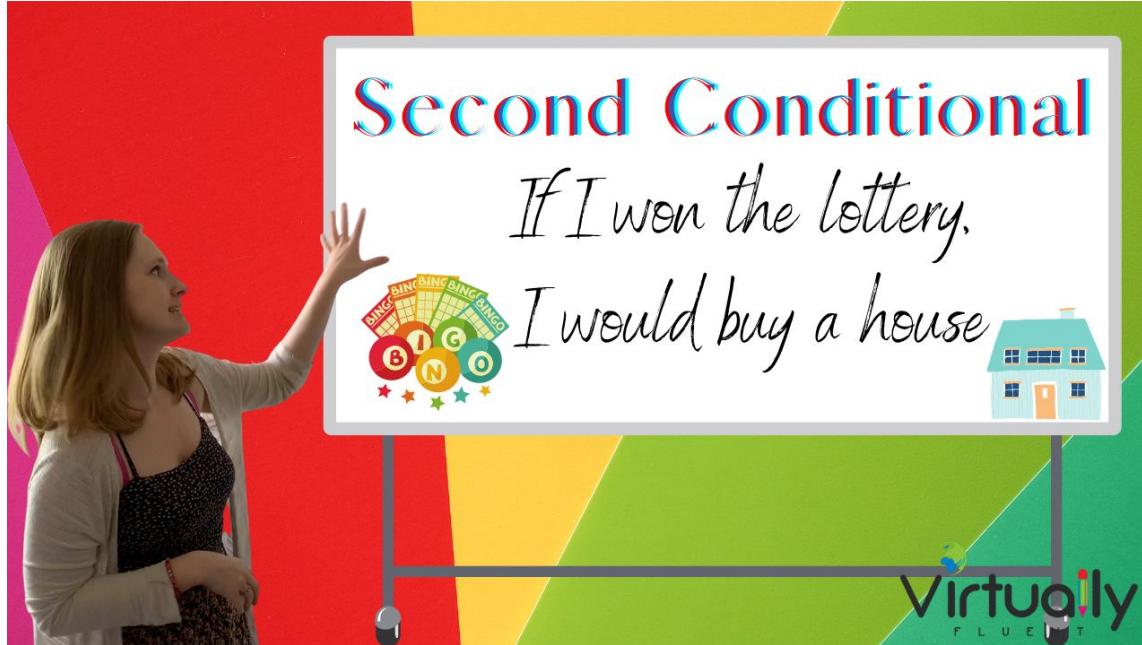




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# REVIEW

A woman with long blonde hair, wearing a white cardigan over a dark patterned top, stands to the left of a whiteboard. She is pointing her right hand towards the board. The whiteboard has a grey border and contains the following content:

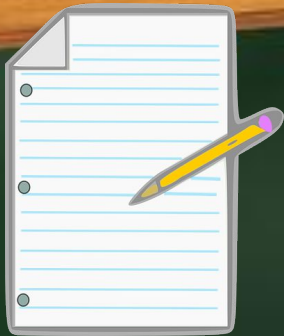
**Second Conditional**

*If I won the lottery,  
I would buy a house*

Below the text on the whiteboard are two illustrations: a colorful bingo card with the word 'BINGO' in large letters and a small blue house with a chimney and a red door.

The background of the scene is a vibrant, abstract geometric pattern in red, yellow, and green. In the bottom right corner of the whiteboard area, the 'Virtually FLUENT' logo is visible, featuring a small globe icon.

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# HOMEWORK

## COMPLETE THE QUIZ

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<https://virtually-fluent.com/quizzes/second-conditional-quiz/>