BBC Learning English
Grammar Challenge
Second conditional

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Practice activities

Exercise 1:
Match the beginnings of the sentences to the correct endings, to make logical conditional sentences.

1.	If I were taller,
2.	I'd buy a new computer…
3.	How would you feel if…
4.	If you could visit any country in the world,
5.	He'd be really upset…
6.	I'd marry him tomorrow…
7.	I'd forgive you…
8.	If I didn't feel so ill,

a.	… if I thought he really loved me.
b.	… you lost your job?
c.	… if you apologized.
d.	… I'd come to the party with you.
e.	… if he knew about the theft.
f.	… I wouldn't have to wear high heeled shoes.
g.	… if I had enough money.
h.	… where would you go?

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Exercise 2: Word Order

Choose the **5 words** which complete each sentence:

1. … … … … … marry him, would you say yes?

he	to	if	would	asked	asks	you

2. How would we keep in touch … … … … …?

to	didn't	we	have	if	did	computers

3. … … … … … if the pay was lower than it is?

leave	you	left	job	your	if	would

4. If she … …**,** … … … going out with her.

he	beautiful	wouldn't	isn't	wasn't	being	be

5. If people … … …**,** … … be fewer wars.

more	would	there	tolerant	wouldn't	were	are

6. If you … … …, … … be able to communicate.

speak	spoke	speaking	couldn't	wouldn't	we	English

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Grammar Challenge – 2nd Conditional practice activities
Answers

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Exercise 2: Word Order

Choose the **5 words** which complete each sentence:

1. **If he asked you to** marry him, would you say yes?

2. How would we keep in touch **if we didn't have computers**?

3. **Would you leave your job** if the pay was lower than it is?

4. If she **wasn't beautiful, he wouldn't be** going out with her.

5. If people **were more tolerant, there would** be fewer wars.

6. If you **couldn't speak English, we wouldn't** be able to communicate.

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