

Practice Exercises – Second Conditional

Review the *Second Conditional* before doing the exercises.

Practice Exercises - Second Conditional:

Choose the answer that is grammatically correct in the context of the sentence. There is only one correct answer.

1. I've always been interested in languages. If I had time now, I _____ a German course.

- a. will take
- b. 'd take
- c. took
- d. take

2. I _____ my parents for advice, if I were in trouble.

- a. 'd ask
- b. 'm asked
- c. asked
- d. was asking

3. If I _____ to babysit, I'd go to the cinema with you.

- a. don't have
- b. wouldn't have
- c. won't have
- d. didn't have

4. _____ you do some volunteer work if you had more free time?

- a. Would
- b. Do
- c. Did
- d. Are

5. What would you do if you _____ shipwrecked on a desert island?

- a. will be
- b. is
- c. were
- d. would be

6. He _____ a lot of weight if he stopped eating too much.

- a. 'd lose
- b. 'd lost
- c. lost
- d. was losing

7. If I _____ the lottery, I'd try to spend the money wisely.

- a. won
- b. winning
- c. was winning
- d. will win

8. Your sister's health would improve, if she _____ eating so much junk food.

- a. wouldn't
- b. will stop
- c. stopped
- d. stop

9. Would I get a discount on this computer if I _____ cash?

- a. will pay
- b. paid
- c. would pay
- d. paying

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10. I _____ with the boss too often, if I were you.
a. wouldn't argue
b. don't argue
c. won't argue
d. 'm not arguing
11. If I _____ a bigger apartment, I could invite a lot of friends to dinner.
a. 'll have
b. will
c. had
d. would
12. If I _____ always so tired after work, I'd love to take up swimming.
a. don't be
b. won't be
c. 'm not
d. weren't
13. I _____ my own vegetables, if I had a bigger garden.
a. could grow
b. grew
c. grow
d. grown
14. If you had a pair of skis, we _____ skiing on Sunday.
a. go
b. are going
c. could go
d. went
15. I _____ spend more time with my children, if I didn't have to work shifts at the factory.
a. can
b. 'm
c. 'll
d. 'd be able to
16. If Mahatma Gandhi _____ still alive, I'd like to meet him.
a. is
b. were
c. would be
d. will be
17. We wouldn't buy a new house unless it _____ four bedrooms.
a. had
b. didn't have
c. wouldn't have
d. 'd have
18. If you _____ so much time playing video games, you'd do better in school.
a. won't waste
b. didn't waste
c. don't waste
d. aren't wasting
19. If Doris _____ so moody, she'd have more friends.
a. isn't
b. won't be
c. weren't
d. hasn't been

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20. If Joe did his homework regularly, I'm sure he _____ higher marks.

- a. 'd get
- b. gets
- c. was getting
- d. got

21. I _____ the report tomorrow if I could, but I have too many other things to do.

- a. will finish
- b. finish
- c. would finish
- d. was finishing

22. Paul would join us later, if he _____, but he has to attend a meeting.

- a. can
- b. could
- c. would
- d. able to

23. If Joe _____ his medicine regularly, he'd feel much better.

- a. took
- b. 's taking
- c. taken
- d. take

24. If Tim got a high-energy dog, it would always _____ ready and waiting for action.

- a. been
- b. be
- c. being
- d. have

25. If my sister-in-law were ten years younger, she _____ for another job.

- a. 'll look
- b. 'd look
- c. was looking
- d. looked

26. What would you do if you _____ a lot of money?

- a. will inherit
- b. would inherit
- c. inherited
- d. inheriting

27. If Pete _____ a dog, he'd feel lonely.

- a. not have
- b. didn't have
- c. wouldn't have
- d. won't have

28. Marie would look prettier if she _____ her hair.

- a. cut
- b. was cutting
- c. 's cut
- d. 's cutting

29. If you _____ an expensive ring on the street, what would you do?

- a. 'd find
- b. 'll find
- c. found
- d. are finding

Practice Exercises - Second Conditional:

30. Would you _____ to Bombay if you were offered a high-paying job there?
- a. moved
 - b. moving
 - c. to move
 - d. move