

Language summary

Grammar

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I taught **myself** to play the guitar.
 Did **you** hurt **yourself** in the soccer game?
He considers **himself** very creative.
She thought of **herself** as talented.
The dog hurt **itself** in the yard.
We asked **ourselves** why we were there.
 How did **you** make **yourselves** finish the race?
They didn't plan the trip by **themselves**. They had help.

- Use reflexive pronouns when the subject and object of a sentence refer to the same thing or person.
- *By* with a reflexive pronoun means “alone.”

Second conditional

If clause + simple past	Main clause + <i>would</i>
If I were rich, If she weren't sad, If you ate healthy food, If we didn't need the money,	I would she wouldn't buy a house. you wouldn't be sick so often. we'd quit our jobs and travel.

- Use a comma after the *if* clause (the condition).

Main clause + <i>would</i>	If + simple past
I would buy a house She wouldn't cry You wouldn't be sick so often We'd quit our jobs and travel	if I were rich. if she weren't sad. if you ate healthy food. if we didn't need the money.

- Don't use a comma after the main clause.

Yes / no questions	Short answers Affirmative	Short answers Negative
Would you be happier if you were famous? Would she get better grades if she studied harder?	Yes, I would . Yes, she would .	No, I wouldn't . No, she wouldn't .

Wh- questions

What **would** you **do** **if** you **were** rich?
Where **would** he **live** **if** he **had** a lot of money?

- Use second conditional sentences to describe “unreal” or imaginary situations.
If I were president, I'd lower taxes. (I'm not the president, so I won't lower taxes.)
- Use a past tense verb in the *if* clause (the condition). Use *would* in the main clause.
- Use *were* for the past tense of *be* in the condition.
If I were you, I'd take more classes.

Vocabulary

Qualities for success

bravery
 confidence
 creativity
 dedication
 enthusiasm
 flexibility
 talent
 wisdom

Separable phrasal verbs

bring up
 do over
 give away
 give back
 pay back
 point out
 put off
 talk over
 try out
 turn down

Functions

Advising against something

I wouldn't recommend that.
 I don't think you should do that.
 I'm not sure that's the best idea.

Considering advice

I'll see.
 I'll think about it.
 I'll give it some thought.