

Second Conditional

Two people daydream about becoming the boss.

Intermediate English Sound Grammar

B1 Lesson 15 Conversation 1



Part 1: Listen to the conversation and answer the questions.

1	What would she let people do?	2	Why would the woman want to work at night?	3	Is the man's preference different or similar?
a	Work from home	a	She goes to college	a	Similar
b	Earn a commission	b	She likes being outside	b	Different
c	Choose their assignments	c	She watches her children	c	Exactly the same

Part 2: Complete the blanks with the missing word. Use the first letter as a clue.

Man: So, if you w ____ the boss, what would you change about the company?	1	
Woman: Well, first, I would let people work f ____ home.	2	
Man: I would like that. What e ____ would you change?	3	
Woman: I would also let employees set t ____ own schedule.	4	
Man: I would love that. What hours would y ____ work?	5	
Woman: It would change day b ____ day. If the weather was nice, I would work a ____ night.	6	
Man: And if the weather w ____ bad?	7	
Woman: T ____ I would work during the day. What about you?	8	
Man: I'm n ____ sure. Maybe I would do the same.	9	
Woman: See. Things would be better around here i ____ I were the boss!	10	
	11	

Part 3: Match the questions with the answers.

1	Do you have a boss?	Yes, I use Google Calendar for it.
2	Do you like to work from home?	No, I prefer working under others.
3	Do you have a schedule?	Yes, I work better in my own space.
4	Would you like to be a boss?	Sometimes, when it's very cold.
5	Does the weather affect your work?	No, I'm self-employed.

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Answer Key

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Woman: Well, first, I would let people work from home.	2	from
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