

## Hypothetical Situations

Hypothetical situations are situations that are not true. We speak hypothetically when we are talking about situations that are imaginary, impossible, untrue, unreal, improbable, or unlikely. When we speak hypothetically, we use the *past tense* and *would*. Here are some examples:

*Imagine you were invisible, where would you go?*

*If I were invisible, I would spy on my girlfriend.*

*Suppose you became the president of your country.*

*What law would you make?*

*If I were the president I would make a law to protect the environment.*

*Say you had a time machine. Where would you go?*

*I would go to see the dinosaurs.*



*What if a genie gave you three wishes?*

*What would you wish for?*

*I would wish for 1,000,000 dollars.*

*If you saw a ghost, what would you do?*

*I would run away.*

Underline the *past tense* and *would*.

*When we introduce hypothetical situations, we often use the following expressions:*

*If...*

*Suppose...*

*Say...*

*Imagine...*

*What if...*

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*Now you make some hypothetical questions:*

If \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Answer:

Suppose \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Answer:

Imagine \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Answer:

Say \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Answer:

What if \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Answer: