## Second Conditional sentences

- Unreal / hypothetical situations in THE PRESENT <u>TIME</u>
- We use the **PAST SIMPLE <u>TENSE</u>** to talk about the present

Hypothetical/Unreal CONDITION: If I WERE in the sea full of jellyfish, (Am I in the sea now? No, I AM NOT)

Hypothetical/Unreal CONSEQUENCE: I WOULD SCREAM

If I WERE in the sea full of jellyfish, I WOULD SCREAM.

IF + Subject + PAST SIMPLE, Subject + WOULD + Infinitive

• After "I" we can use WAS or WERE

## More examples

- If I didn't have a gun, I wouldn't go near a lion.
- If I had more money, I'd do a safari

## Compare

First Conditional	Second Conditional
If I you pay, you will get what you want	If I had more money, I would travel more
(possible)	(but I don't have any money)