

## Exercises

**38.1** What do you say in these situations?

- Of course you don't expect to win the lottery. Which do you say?
  - If I win the lottery, I'll buy a big house. ☐
  - If I won the lottery, I'd buy a big house. ☒ (b is correct)
- You're not going to sell your car because it's old and not worth much. Which do you say?
  - If I sell my car, I won't get much money for it. ☐
  - If I sold my car, I wouldn't get much money for it. ☐
- You often see Sarah. A friend of yours wants to contact her. Which do you say?
  - If I see Sarah, I'll tell her to call you. ☐
  - If I saw Sarah, I'd tell her to call you. ☐
- You don't expect that there will be a fire in the building. Which do you say?
  - What will you do if there is a fire in the building? ☐
  - What would you do if there was a fire in the building? ☐
- You've never lost your passport. You can only imagine it.
  - I don't know what I'll do if I lose my passport. ☐
  - I don't know what I'd do if I lost my passport. ☐
- Somebody stops you and asks the way to a bank. Which do you say?
  - If you go right at the end of this street, you'll see a bank on your left. ☐
  - If you went right at the end of this street, you'd see a bank on your left. ☐
- You're in a lift. There is an emergency button. Nobody is going to press it. Which do you say?
  - What will happen if somebody presses that button? ☐
  - What would happen if somebody pressed that button? ☐

**38.2** Put the verb into correct form.

- I'd be very scared if somebody pointed (point) a gun at me.
- I can't afford to buy a car. If I ..... (buy) a car, I'd have to borrow the money.
- Don't lend Amy your car. If she ..... (ask) me, I wouldn't lend her mine.
- If the computer factory closed down, many people ..... (lose) their jobs.
- I don't think Gary and Emma will get married. I ..... (be) amazed if they did.
- What would you do if you ..... (be) in a lift and it ..... (stop) between floors?
- If somebody ..... (give) me £10,000, I ..... (have) a very long holiday.

**38.3** Write sentences beginning **If ...**

- We've decided not to catch the 10.30 train. (arrive too early)  
If we caught the 10.30 train, we'd arrive too early.
- Kevin is not going to do his driving test now. (fail)  
If he .....
- We've decided not to stay at a hotel. (cost too much)  
If .....
- Sally isn't going to leave her job. (not / get another one)  
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- We've decided not to invite Ben to the party. (have to invite his friends too)  
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- I'm not going to tell him what happened. (not / believe me)  
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**38.4** Use your own ideas to complete these sentences.

- If I won a lot of money, I'd buy a house.
- I'd be very angry if .....
- If you bought a car, .....
- I'd be surprised if .....
- Would you mind if .....