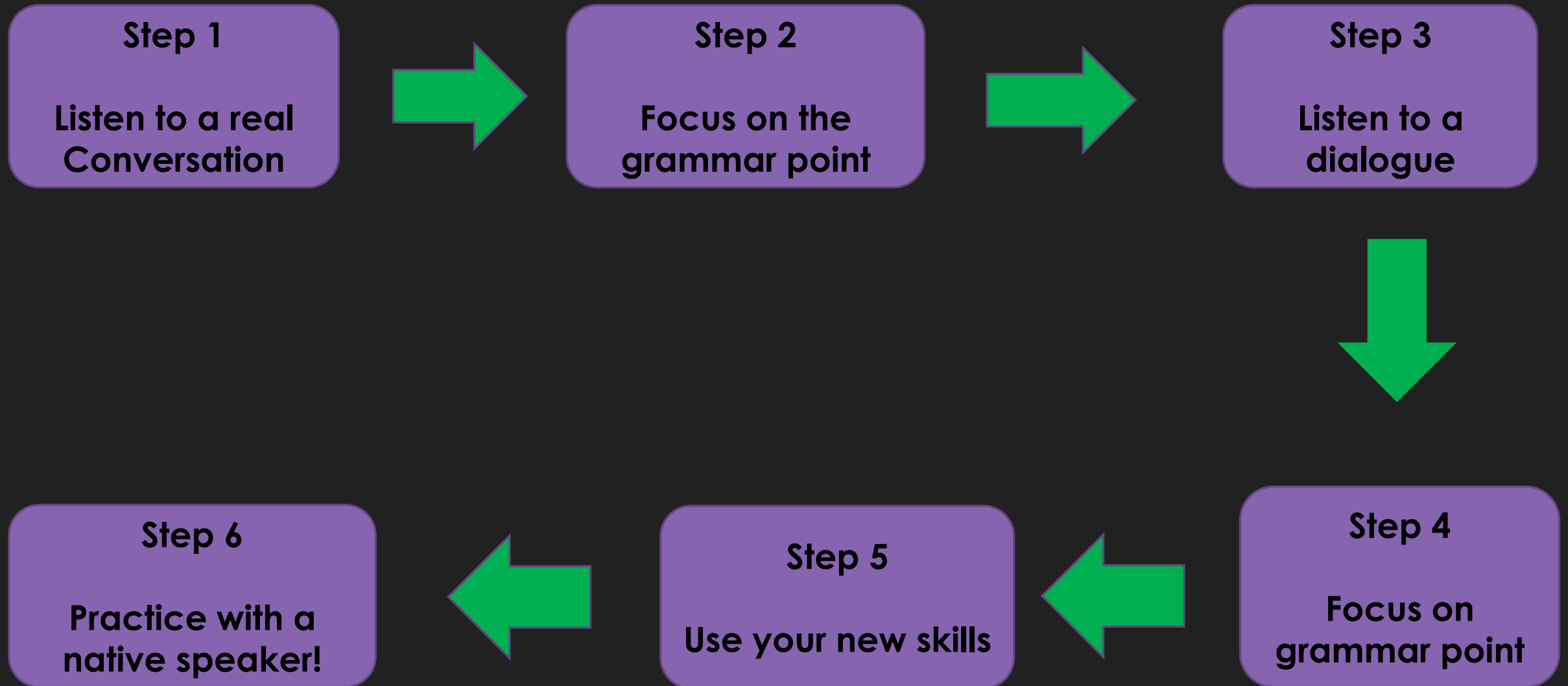




What Would You Do if You Won the Lottery?

A Grammar Lesson

Our Method



Step 1: What Would You Do If You Won the Lottery?



Please listen to
audio step 1-
What Would You
Do If You Won the
Lottery



What would you do if you won the lottery? Would you buy a house? Would you quit your job?

In this conversation, Vin and Lindsay discuss what they would do and what they would buy if they won the lottery.

Please open Transcript Step 1- What Would You Do if You Won the Lottery?

Step 2: Focus on Grammar

What would Vin do if he won the lottery?

Please click on the link called “Lesson: “What Would You Do?- Unreal Conditional”



Step 3: The Jackpot Is Huge

Now listen to a conversation between two friends. One friend has just bought a lottery ticket and she is talking about what she'll do if she wins.

Please click on Audio Steps 3 and 4: The Jackpot is Huge

Next please open transcripts steps 3 and 4- The Jackpot Is Huge



Step 4: Focus on Grammar

Learn how to use this grammar point in conversation!

Please click on the link [“The Jackpot Is Huge: Real Conditional](#)



Step 5: Use Your New Skills

Fill in the gaps to test your learning and prepare for your conversation!

- 1) What would you do if you _____ (to win) the lottery?
- 2) If you _____ (to have) a million dollars by the time you retire, where will you live?
- 3) What _____ (will or would) you do if your friends asked you for a 25,000-dollar loan?
- 4) Will you be happy if you _____ (don't or won't) retire wealthy?
- 5) Would you be happy if you _____ (to be) wealthy, but physically disabled?

Step 6: Practice with a Native Speaker

- What **would you do** if **you won** the lottery? **Would you give** the money away? **Would you travel?** **Would you buy** investments like real estate or start a new business?
- **Would you prefer** to be wealthy but not healthy or healthy but not wealthy?
- **If you had** a lot of money, **how would** your daily life **be** different? **How would** your attitude toward life **change?** **What would be** the pros and cons of winning the lottery?
- **If you reach** retirement and you **don't have** enough money to live, **what will you do?** **Will you ask** your family for help? Do you think they will help you?

Step 6 Continued...

- **What would you do** if a family member or friend won the lottery? What advice **would you give them?**
- **How will you change** your spending habits if you get a promotion at work next week?
- **How would life be** different if everyone made the same amount of money? Do you think that **will ever** happen?
- **If someone offered** you a million dollars under the condition that **you had to live** outside of your country forever, would you take the money? Why or why not?

Step 6 Continued

- If **your doctor told you** that you only **had** one year to live, how would you change your life? What **if he/she told** you that you only **had** one month to live? 1 week? 1 day? 1 hour?
- How **would your life be** different **if you had been born** the opposite gender?
- **What will happen if** your computer **crashes** tomorrow? Will you have your data on a back-up drive?
- How **will you feel** if your wife/husband/boyfriend/girlfriend **forgets** your birthday this year?

Step 6 Continued

- **If you became** fluent in English, how would your life be different? **If you become** fluent in English in 2 years, how **will** your life be different?
- **If you had** the opportunity to be the best in the world at something (anything) **what would you like** to be the best at?

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Step 5 Answers

Step 5 answers:

- 1) What would you do if you **won** the lottery. *This is the unreal conditional because we are assuming that you do not have a lottery ticket right now so the situation is not real.*
- 2) If you **have** a million dollars by the time you retire, where will you live? *This is the real conditional because it is possible for you to have a million dollars by the time you retire.*
- 3) What **would** you do if your friends asked you for a 25,000-dollar loan? *This is the unreal conditional because we are imagining the situation. It is not a real or current situation.*
- 4) Will you be happy if you **don't** retire wealthy? *This is the real conditional so we use the present tense (to retire wealthy, to not retire wealthy)*
- 5) Would you be happy if you **were** wealthy, but physically disabled? *This is the unreal conditional- a hypothetical situation. Be careful- many native speakers and English learners say "was" instead of "were" and it's ok in spoken English but in written form it's incorrect.*