UNIT 03. There and Back Again (Lesson2)

- Idioms connected to travel
- Likely & unlikely situations
- Discussion Questions
- Review

1. Idioms connected to travel

(1) "hit the road"

- It's getting really late, **I'd better hit the road.**
- Time to **hit the road**

(2) "train of thought"

- I lost my **train of thought,** what were we talking about?
- It wasn't hard to follow his **train of thought**, I knew exactly what he was talking about.

(3) "in the same boat"

- We're both stuck in traffic and late for work. It looks like we're **in the same boat.**
- It looks like you're **in the same boat** as each other. You both have to study for exams.

(4) "travel bug"

- After I went on my trip overseas I caught the **travel bug**. I can only think about my next trip.
- My coworkers have the **travel bug**, they never stop talking about their future plans abroad.

2. Likely & unlikely situations

(1) "Describing likely situations"

- To show a likely possibility we use; 'if + present tense, will + verb'

  - **If** it **rains** I **will get** wet.
  - I **will get** wet, **if** it **rains**.
  - **If** I **get** this job, I **will be** able to buy a car.
  - I **will be** able to buy a car **if** I **get** this job.

(2) "Describing unlikely situations"

- To show an <u>unlikely</u> possibility we use;
  'if + simple past tense, would/could + verb'

  - **If** you **won** the lottery, you **could go** on a holiday.
  - You **could go** on a holiday, **if** you **won** the lottery.

- **If** I **were** a bird, I **would fly** to Paris.
- I **would fly** to Paris **if** I **were** a bird.

(3) Practice likely situations

- **If** I **lose** my wallet,…
- The airfare **will be** cheaper,…
- **If** a tourist **loses** their passport,…

… I **will have** to call the credit card company.
… they **will** not **be** able to leave the country.
… **if** you **book** the tickets in advance.

(4) Practice unlikely situations

- **If** we **got** into a car accident,…
- **If** an airline **lost** my luggage,…
- You **could get** sunburnt,…

… I **would** not **have** any clothes to wear.
… we **would have** to walk home.
… **if** you **weren't** wearing sunscreen.

- **If** I **studied** English everyday,… I **could get** better.
- **If** I **study** English everyday,… I **will get** better.
- **If** it **snowed** next week,… it **would be** great.
- **If** it **snows** next week,… it **will be** great.

3. Discussion questions

Q: If you were an animal, what would you be?

If I **were** an animal, I **would be** a dragon. It's my zodiac. But to be honest I don't really follow the signs of the zodiac. Also **if** I **were** a dragon I **could fly** anywhere, since I have caught the **travel bug** it **would be** great… Can you follow my **train of thought**?

Q: What would you do if you found a wallet on the street?

I **would hate** it **if** I **was in the same boat** so **if** I **found** a wallet on the street, I **would check** the drivers license to try to find the phone number and I **would return** it to its original owner.

Q: If it snowed tomorrow what would you do?

If it **snows** tomorrow, I **will** probably **stay** home instead of **hitting the road.**
If it **snowed** tomorrow, I **would** probably **stay** home instead of **hitting the road.**

Q: If you had to lose one of your senses, which one would you lose?

If I **had** to choose one sense to lose, I **would choose** my sense of smell.

I know it **would** make my sense of taste weaker but I **would** like to keep all of my other senses.