

Winning the Lotto

Alex: Tom, take a look at this! This guy's won ten million dollars in the lotto!

Tom: What luck!

Alex: What would you do if you won ten million dollars?

Tom: Well, I know what I wouldn't do! If I won so much money, I wouldn't spend it. I'd put it in the bank!

Alex: You've got to be joking! I'd make sure to spend at least the first two million having a good time and buying things I've always wanted. I'd definitely spend a lot of time traveling.

Tom: Use your head! If you spent money like that, you'd soon have spent all your winnings!

Alex: You are so boring! If you were in his shoes, you'd just put money in the bank.

Tom: That's right. I'm sure I'd eventually start spending some money, but I'd be very careful to make that money last for the rest of my life.

Alex: What use would that be, if you didn't have any fun?

Tom: Oh, I'd have fun. I'd just be careful about how much fun I'd have.

Alex: I can't believe you!

Tom: Well you know the saying 'different strokes for different folks'!

Key Vocabulary

Second Conditional: If + past simple, would + verb

guy

put money in the bank

look like (physical appearance)

at least

Use your head!

winnings

boring

to be in someone shoes

make something last a long time
different strokes for different folks (saying meaning that different people believe
or enjoy different things)

Practice:

1. How do you deal with new friends?
2. Do you value your friends? How do you value them?
3. If you were to compare your friend to a certain object, what would it be?
4. Can you consider yourself a good friend?
5. Are you choosy when it comes to friends? Why or why not?