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could

would

"Could" is the past of "can", but we can also use "could" instead of "would be able" in conditional sentences.

What can we use instead of "would be able" in conditional sentences?

We can use "could" instead of "would be able"

Give me an example, please.

If I was a bird, I could fly

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Now I'm going to ask you some questions with "could" and you Answer with "would be able", and vice versa.

If you were very, very tall, could you touch the ceiling?

Yes, if I were very very tall, I would be able to touch the ceiling.

If you were a doctor, would you be able to help people who were ill?

Yes, if I were a doctor, I could help people who were ill.

If you were as strong as a horse, could you lift a man above your head with only one hand?

Yes, if I were as strong as a horse, I would be able to lift a man above my head with only one hand.

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throw

drop

What am I going to do?

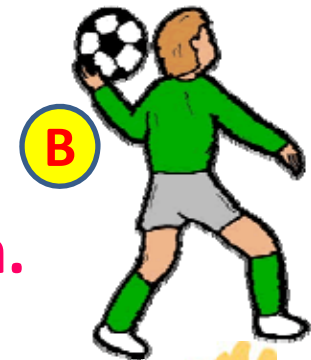
You're going to throw the paper at the trash can.



Do you think you could throw a ball further than I can?

Yes, I think I could ... further than you can

~ No, I don't think I could ...further than you can.



What am I doing?

You're dropping your hat on the floor.



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What's the hat doing?

The hat's dropping on the floor.



What would happen if I dropped a glass on the floor?

If you dropped a glass on the floor, it would break.

