

Task 1. In pairs make a list of 5 good romantic songs.

Task 2. Match the words from column A with their meaning in column B.

A	B
to ring true	to hammer
to trail	a person who gives religious instruction
to nail	to be true
a preacher	reassuring, calming
fate	to cause to be released from prison
to spring	to give food
soothing	destiny
to feed	to chase

Task 3. The following sentences are not complete. Put the missing parts from the table into the correct spaces. Use your logic and grammar.

‘If you were a sail boat’ by Katie Melua

If you were a cowboy,

If you were a piece of wood,

If you were a sail boat,

If you were a river,

If you were a house,

If you were a preacher,

Chorus: Sometimes I believe in fate,
 But the chances we create,
 Always seem to ring more true.
 You took a chance on loving me,
 I took a chance on loving you.

If I was in jail,

If I was a telephone,

If I was in pain,

Chorus:

If I was hungry,

If I was in darkness,

If I was a book,

1. I'd nail you to the floor	2. I would live in you all my days
3. I would trail you	4. you'd ring me all day long
5. you would feed me	6. you would lead me to the light
7. I would sail you to the shore	8. I know you'd read me every night
9. I know you'd spring me	10. I know you'd sing me soothing songs
11. I would swim you	12. I'd begin to change my ways

Task 4. Listen and check.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5CuKcUU2xx4>¹

Task 5. Which conditional is used in the song? Finish the sentences:

If I was/were queen Elizabeth II,

If I was/were a gold fish,

If I was/were the person next to me,

¹ Katie Melua's music video 'If You Were A Sailboat' taken from the album 'Pictures' (access date 13.10.2015)

The key to Task 2:

to ring true = to be true
to trail = to chase
to nail = to hammer
a preacher = a person who gives religious instruction
fate = destiny
to spring = to cause to be released from prison
soothing = reassuring, calming
to feed = to give food

The key to task 3:

If you were a cowboy, 3

If you were a piece of wood, 1

If you were a sail boat, 7

If you were a river, 11

If you were a house, 2

If you were a preacher, 12

Chorus:

If I was in jail, 9

If I was a telephone, 4

If I was in pain, 10

Chorus:

If I was hungry, 5

If I was in darkness , 6

If I was a book, 8