

## How Would Your Life Be Different?

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**A:** So do you ever think about how your life would be different now if you had made one small decision differently in your past?

**B:** Well I try not to think about that too much because it's a crazy idea, but yeah, you are right.

**A:** So you are an awesome writer, I have read a lot of your work, but why do you think you became a writer? I mean, what or who actually pushed you in that direction?

**B:** Well my uncle **(uncle)** was a huge reader. He read everything, and when I was about 10, he started giving me big, fat novels for Christmas and for my birthday every year. I really got into them and I just started writing on my own one day.

**A:** Wow, so what would have happened if your uncle **(uncle)** hadn't actually introduced you to novels? I mean you probably wouldn't have gone into writing, huh?

**B:** Yeah, maybe not. Before I started reading I had been thinking about becoming a veterinarian so maybe I would be working in an animal hospital right now.

**A:** Wow, it would be so different, wow, what a different life that would be.

**B:** Yeah...and you? What would you have done if you hadn't gone traveling so much in your twenties?

**A:** Well I probably would have gotten an office job and I would have just kept working.

**B:** Oh really, maybe if you hadn't learned Portuguese in college you never would have moved to Brazil. Your language skills helped you take that plunge!

**A:** True, true. It's so hard to know, ya (you) know life is funny like that.

**B:** Yeah it sure is.