



Task 1-2 | Listening

Task 1



A. Look at the pictures. Can you guess what job the guy in the photo does? Read the information to check your ideas.

1. What job did she begin doing and what struck her the most?
2. What was the key predictor for success in learning?
3. What answer does the speaker give to the question 'How do I keep kids motivated'?



If your preferred form of exercise is pressing buttons on a console controller, rejoice: computer gaming is now a sport and you're officially an athlete. Organized online and offline multiplayer tournaments have long been a part of video game culture. Currently, e-sports - competitive video gaming at a professional level - are growing: market experts estimate this business to be worth almost \$1.5 billion by 2020. Many international leagues have started offering regular salaries and player rights, so gamers now have the opportunity to turn their favorite pastime into a legitimate career. So, how does it feel to be a cyber athlete? We thought we'd ask an expert, a former student of Green Forest, Victor.

B. You are going to listen to an interview with Victor. Before listening write five questions about being a cyber sportsman you would like to get answers to while listening.

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C. Listen to the interview. Were all your questions answered?



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Task 2



Listen to the interview again and correct mistakes in the sentences below.

1. You should play before entering a championship .
2. "Cyber-kotlety" is a nickname have given them .
3. Victor has always known computer games .
4. People are sometimes jealous .
5. Most of the income .

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Task 3-5 | Functional language (Wishes and regrets)

Task 3



A. Complete the sentences from the interview with the correct words. Use the audioscript to check your answers.

1. I wish I in advance how boring my studies would be.
2. I've never regretted university even for a second.
3. Man, if only we done that sooner!
4. Oh, how I wish I a gamer!
5. I wish I get super rich playing video games!
6. If only we have so much fun at our jobs!
7. I regret into this or that profession – if only I that gaming pays so well!
8. I wish you go back to school, I wish you find a real job!

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B. Match the language for expressing wishes and regrets with the rules.

✗ 1. I wish / If only + Past Simple

b. Expressing something you want to change in the present

✗ 2. I wish / If only + Past Perfect

d. Expressing something you want to change in the past

✗ 3. I wish / If only + would

c. Expressing something you want others to change (what you can't control)

✗ 4. Regret + Verb ing

a. Expressing a regret about the past

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Task 4



Open the brackets using the correct form of the verb.

1. 1. If only Alex (be) here right now!
2. I wish I (play) the guitar better, I'd love to be part of your band!
3. I wish (buy) this dress a week ago when it was Black Friday!
4. My sister regrets (enter) this university.
5. If only our team lead (pay) more attention to work and (not/forget) about deadlines!
6. We wish it (not/be) so hot!
7. I regret (not/follow) my mom's advice, she was right!
8. If only we (not/argue) with Dan, now he doesn't want to talk to me at all.

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Task 5



Rewrite the some parts of sentences using the words in brackets.

1. I cheap airline tickets when they were on sale and now I have to stay home on my vacation. (REGRET)
2. I cook well and have a YouTube channel with recipes. (WISH)
3. I . (ONLY)
4. My neighbors listen to music all night and it's really loud. I . (WOULD)
5. I when I left home this morning and it's raining all day today. (WISH)
6. I want to drop out of university and become a blogger but I'm scared. (ONLY)
7. I to France when I had the chance. (REGRET)

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Task 6-7 | Revision

Task 6



Open the brackets using the correct form of the verb.

1. I (drink) 3 cups of coffee today and I think I might need one more.
2. This time next week I (sip) a cocktail by the sea.
3. When I (open) the door I (see) that Max (sing) and (make) coffee.
4. — Why are you so wet? — I (run).
5. — How do you feel about your new apartment? — Well, it's really nice but it's hard to get used to (spend) so much time commuting.
6. Will you have finished (you / finish) the report by tomorrow evening?
7. Kate (be) really disappointed after watching that movie. She (wait) to see it for almost a year but it (turn) out to be a flop.
8. We (fly) back to Warsaw tomorrow. Our plane (land) at 15:30.
9. I wish I (forgot) to book the tickets. The seats that are left are far from the stage.
10. Mmmm... What (you, cook)? It (smell) delicious!
11. Andy (tell) me he (read) this book twice.
12. — What would you like to drink? — Let me think... I (have) a glass of this red wine.
13. When I was a kid I used to (eat) much more ice cream than now. 14. I regret (not, listen) to your advice.

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Task 7



Fill in the gaps with the missing words or - (nothing).

1. I'm not to waking up so early.
2. They spent their weekend hiking in Carpathians. They even climbed Hoverla.
3. I hope I'll have cleaned everything the time you come home.
4. When we were in Gdansk we stayed at very nice hotel, not one you told us about.
5. If I'd thought about it earlier!
6. What are you to do tonight?
7. That's the guy brother is owner of this shop.
8. I haven't seen Helen ages!
9. I hope I'll used to eating only healthy food.
10. Jane suggested going to Lake Como is situated not far from Milano.

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Test Yourself

Choose the correct option.

1. She her husband for 5 years already.
a. ☐ knows
b. ☐ has been knowing
c. ☐ have known
d. ☐ has known
2. Look at you! Why is your face so red? - It's because I out really hard for an hour and a half.
a. ☐ was working
b. ☐ have been working
c. ☐ have worked
d. ☐ had been working
3. You everything as the time goes on.
a. ☐ get used to
b. ☐ used to
c. ☐ get used to do
d. ☐ are used to
4. Last summer we went to Italy. I abroad before that.
a. ☐ have never been
b. ☐ never was
c. ☐ had never been
d. ☐ never went
5. While studying she down rules with examples.
a. ☐ had been writing
b. ☐ had written
c. ☐ wrote
d. ☐ was writing
6. I promise you I you down! Please, believe me!
a. ☐ am not going to let
b. ☐ will let
c. ☐ won't let
d. ☐ am gonna let
7. I two shops so far.
a. ☐ had opened
b. ☐ opened
c. ☐ have opened
d. ☐ will have opened
8. At 5pm tomorrow she a party.
a. ☐ will be having
b. ☐ will have
c. ☐ will have had
d. ☐ will have had
9. By 5pm tomorrow she a party.
a. ☐ will have
b. ☐ will be having
c. ☐ will has had
d. ☐ will have had
10. When I lived in a small city I to the cinema, but now I do it almost every weekend.
a. ☐ didn't used to go
b. ☐ didn't use to go
c. ☐ wasn't use to go
d. ☐ wasn't used to go

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Q: Hello, Victor, thanks for coming. So, tell us a little about yourself. What's your story in cyber sport, in a nutshell?

A: Hello. Well, I'm 23 years old. I am from Yuzhnooukrainsk, born and raised. Like many of my peers, I got introduced to computer games quite early. In high school, I got hooked on World of Tanks and it's been my game of choice ever since. For the past couple of years I've been playing professionally.

Q: I see. And how exactly did you go from playing for fun to making video gaming your career?

A: When I graduated high school, I thought it would be a good idea to study computer science. I got accepted to the National Technical University of Ukraine, and I thought I was all set. I wish I had known in advance how boring my studies would be. I quickly realized it didn't make sense for me to stay at the university. I've never regretted leaving even for a second. With free time on my hands, I played video games - a lot. That really helped me level up my skills. Then, my friends and I formed a team, "Evil Genius." Man, if only we had done that sooner! We turned out to be really good, even though we had no previous training and very limited experience with multiplayer battles. If you want to get ahead in electronic sports, the key is to play against excellent competition. We scored an invitation to practice with NAVI, the best pro team at the time, and our winning rate turned out to be 50/50. They were quite impressed and told us we had a huge potential, so I guess, that's when we started to take that whole gaming thing seriously. One thing led to another, and we got into the golden league, which is the highest you can get. Truth be told, we didn't do so well there as a team, but I sure did get my lucky break. One organization urgently needed a player for the world championship, and upon seeing me play they thought I'd make a good addition to their team. The rest, as they say, is history.

Q: Did you ever think playing video games would be your job?

A: I've always followed cyber sports and I've been very keen on them, obviously, but I've never been like, "Oh, how I wish I were a gamer! I wish I could get super rich playing video games!" Now that I have played in a few teams, and taken part in different championships in the golden league, this has really become my job, and I still can't quite believe it.

Q: So now you're a pro gamer... is that the right term?

A: Yeah, it is. But many of those who follow us and our games call us "cyber kotlety" - it's a nickname for us they came up with.

Q: (Laughs). That's hilarious! But I bet your friends and family don't call you that! By the way - what do they have to say about your choice of profession? And how do people react when you tell them that you're a gamer?

A: It's not as easy to break into professional gaming as many people seem to think, and most people don't realize that this occupation, like any other, requires a certain set of skills and competences. So yes, my job does raise eyebrows occasionally, and yes, some probably consider me a slacker. But more often than not people react positively - they say "If only we could have so much fun at our jobs!" or "I regret going into this or that profession - if only I had known that gaming pays so well!" My family has been very supportive of my interests, even when I decided to leave the university. Their attitude was: you're an adult and we respect your decision. Nobody told me, "I wish you would go back to school, I wish you would find a real job!" My dad, actually, is now the one who keeps me up to speed on what's going on in the world of e-sports: he follows the main competitions, knows all the stats. Fortunately, people are becoming less prejudiced towards computer gaming as a career, and those who still think it's stupid are simply misinformed. I think the image that comes to mind when people hear the word "gamer" is an overweight nerd in glasses with poor social skills and bad personal hygiene. This couldn't be farther from the truth, though.

Q: Obviously! I think now the listeners would like to know how rich gamers are. How much do you guys earn?

A: When it comes to money, sky's the limit. Your income mostly depends on the game you play and how good you're at it. In World of Tanks, an average monthly net salary is around \$1000. Counter-Strike, for instance, can bring you anywhere between \$10 to 20K per month. Once you hit the pro circuit, even if you don't get to the finals, you're looking at approximately \$80K for a team of seven. Major League Gaming's pros in the U.S. make millions of dollars.

Q: Amazing! And do you have to work long hours? What does your typical workday look like?

A: We are on a rigorous training schedule: prior to a tournament, we train six times per week, three hours per day. I am on the road a lot: major competitions are organized at least five times per year, to say nothing about lesser-scale tournaments. But I can't complain - it's my chance to see the world. I've been to Europe, China, and of course, to many post-Soviet states.

Q: Sound exciting! And the last question - do you see your future in gaming?

A: There is always a risk that some particular computer games will get replaced by something else entirely. I would like to gain some marketable skills by that time, most likely in programming. We'll see.

Q: Thank you Victor so much! And good luck with everything!

A: Thanks for having me. See ya!