



Highlight English

Just for you!

- Wishes and imaginary situations



How do you wish your life were different.

- "I just wish I weren't so busy with my work. I have to work most weekends, so I never have enough time to do anything fun. If I had more free time, I'd go camping every weekend."
- She says, "I just wish [I'm not | | I weren't] so busy." Is she busy now?



Listen to the next audio and complete.



"I wish I didn't live so far away from my family. My sister just had a baby- a little boy - and I never get to see him. I really miss everyone. If I lived closer, I'd be able to help out."

- She says if she [**lives** | | **lived**] closer, she would help her sister. Does she live close??

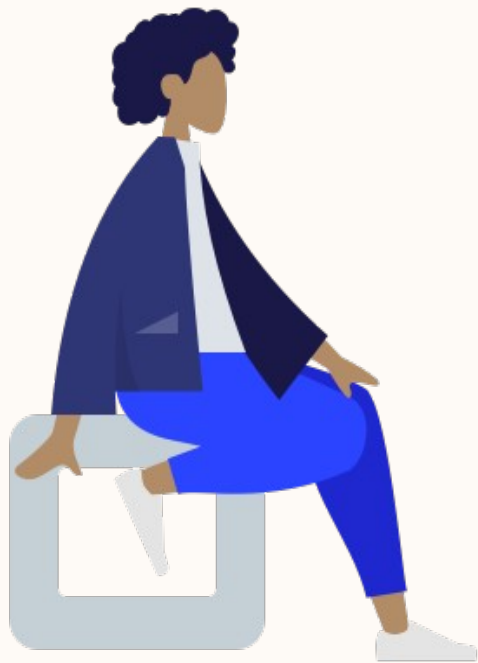


I studied for a long time and I've just graduated last year . As soon as I finished my studies I started looking for a job but everyone is asking for someone with years of experience. I settled for a part-time job but I just don't have enough money I just wish had a better job, "

- He wishes he **[has | | had]** enough money to go away. Does he have enough money?



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"I just moved out to a tiny little apartment. It was great in the beginning but I just adopted a cat. It would be great if I could afford a bigger place to live. I don't have enough room for all my stuff."

- She says that it [**would** | | **will be**] great if she could rent a big apartment. What's her place like?



***Wish* statements.**

Statements with wishes have two clauses: a main clause with a form of the verb wish and a clause that states the wish, with a verb in the past

Main statement	+	<u><i>statement with “wish”</i></u>
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I wish	+	<u><i>I had a new car.</i></u>
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Wishes and imaginary situations or events

Wish negative statement

subject + wish

She wishes

+ subject + **didn't** + base form of verb

+ she **didn't** live so far away.

Wish with be

Were || weren't can be used for all persons.

I wish I were richer.

She wishes she weren't so busy.

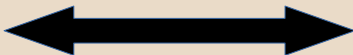
***Wish* + past form of verb**

I wish I had more free time.



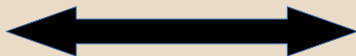
I don't have enough free time

She wishes she didn't live so far away



She lives very far away

*I wish I weren't so busy with
my work..*



I'm very busy with my work

***IF* statements.**

If statements are conditional statements. The if statement can have the if-clause first or the if-clause can also be second.

If I had more free time, I would go kayaking
Or I'd go kayaking If I had more free time.

***IF* statements.**

We will focus on verbs in the simple form, although continuous verbs are also possible. Note that with conditional sentences, a negative can appear in the if-clause, the result clause, or both.

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If+ past form of verb ... would (could)+ verb

If I had more free time
I would go camping



I don't have enough free
time, so I don't go
camping

If she lived closer,
*She'd || she would be able to
help out.*



She lives very far away so
she Isn't able to help out.

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***Wish* + past form of verb**

- I wish I can finish my English course in September.

If+ past form of verb ••• would (could)+ verb

- If I had enough money I could buy a new car



Complete the sentences with the appropriate form of the verbs given.

- 1) I wish I could do [**can do**] something more exciting with my life. If I had [**have**] the chance, I would travel [**travel**] around South America.
- 2) I wish I _____ [**not be**] so shy. If I _____ [**have**] more confidence, I _____ probably _____ [**enjoy**] going out more.
- 3) I wish I _____ [**not have to**] study so hard. If I _____ [**not get**] so much homework, I _____ [**be able to**] play on the soccer team.
- 4) I wish _____ [**can finish**] my degree this year. If I _____ [**graduate**] this year, I _____ [**can get**] a job, and I _____ [**can start**] to pay off my student loans.

5) I wish I _____ [**can find**] a job nearer to home. If I _____ [**get**] a new job, maybe I _____ [**not have to**] commute two hours a day.

6) I wish I _____ [**be**] famous. If I _____ [**be**] famous, I _____ [**be able to**] go to shows and get the best seats! And I _____ [**not eat**] in the cheapest restaurants anymore.