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LESSON 10

PART 1: PRACTICE





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I wish and if only

There are three distinct types of I wish / if only sentences:

1. Regrets with the PAST PERFECT (the third conditional)

I wish I hadn't got so angry.

2. Wanting change for the present or future with the PAST SIMPLE

I wish I had enough money to go to Mozambique this summer.

3. Complaints with WOULD + INFINITIVE

I wish you wouldn't arrive so late all the time.

Task 1. Fill the gaps using the verbs in brackets.

Regrets

1. I wish I drunk and kissed Samantha. (get NEGATIVE)

2. I wish it so much. The garden's turned to mud. (rain NEGATIVE)

3. If only I there, I wouldn't have got a fine. (park NEGATIVE)

Wanting change

4. If only I more time for my hobbies. (have)

5. I wish it more often in Valencia. (rain)

6. I wish I to go to your nephew's wedding. (have NEGATIVE)