

Unreal Past

Wish / If only

1. Rewrite the following sentences using “wish” or “if only” to express a desire for things to be different.

1. I don't know how to swim. (*a regret*)

2. She can't join us for dinner tonight.

3. They won't be able to finish the project on time. (*a regret*)

4. He has to work late again this week.

5. I'm not going on vacation this year.

6. It's raining today. (*a regret*)

7. I didn't study for the test.

8. She was speaking too quickly for me to understand.

9. We didn't meet sooner.

10. He's always late to meetings.

11. I have to wake up early tomorrow. (*a regret*)

12. The movie wasn't very good.

13. They don't live closer to us.

14. I can't afford a new car right now. (*a regret*)

15. She has to leave town for a few weeks.

16. We're not able to see the concert.

17. I didn't learn to play the piano as a child.

18. He's eating too much junk food lately. (*a regret*)

19. It's too cold outside for a walk.

20. I don't have a pet.

21. The weather isn't warm today.

22. She isn't here to help us.

23. They didn't listen to the teacher's advice.

24. I didn't wake up on time. (*a regret*)

25. We didn't take a photo together. (*a regret*)

26. He said something rude to his friend.

27. She won't be able to come to my graduation.

28. He will travel alone.

29. I won't get the job I applied for.

30. They will cancel the football match. (*a regret*)

31. He didn't invite me to his birthday party. (*a regret*)

32. We didn't study enough for the test.

33. I missed my flight.

34. She doesn't speak English fluently.

35. They aren't coming to the party.

36. I didn't learn another language when I was younger. (*a regret*)

37. I won't be able to attend the concert next week.

38. She won't have time to meet us tomorrow.

39. He will have to work on his birthday.

40. They will move to another country next year. (*a regret*)

41. I won't pass the driving test.

42. We won't have summer vacation this year. (*a regret*)

43. I can't ride a bike.

44. I don't have enough money to buy a laptop. (*a regret*)

45. They don't know how to dance.

46. I forgot to bring my umbrella. (*a regret*)

47. He is not tall enough to play basketball. (*a regret*)

48. We don't have enough time to finish the project.

49. She lost her phone. (*a regret*)

Unreal Conditionals II | III

2. Fill in using IIº or IIIº conditional

1. If I _____ (have) more free time, I _____ (travel) around the world, but I'm too busy with work these days.
2. If she _____ (not miss) the bus yesterday, she _____ (arrive) at the meeting on time.
3. I'm not a millionaire, but if I _____ (win) the lottery, I _____ (buy) a private island.
4. If we _____ (not spend) so much money last month, we _____ (be) able to go on vacation now.
5. If he _____ (study) harder, he _____ (pass) the exam last week instead of failing it.
6. If you _____ (not forget) your umbrella, you _____ (not get) wet in the rain yesterday.
7. If I _____ (be) taller, I _____ (play) basketball professionally, but unfortunately, I'm too short.
8. They had a terrible argument last night. If they _____ (not argue), they _____ (have) a peaceful evening.
9. If he _____ (not be) so lazy, he _____ (find) a job by now, but he never puts in any effort.
10. If you _____ (not eat) so much fast food regularly, you _____ (feel) much healthier.
11. We got stuck in traffic for an hour. If we _____ (leave) earlier, we _____ (arrive) on time.
12. She doesn't speak Spanish, but if she _____ (know) the language, she _____ (move) to Spain next year.
13. If they _____ (save) more money in the past, they _____ (be able to) buy a house now.
14. I can't help you because I don't know programming. If I _____ (understand) coding, I _____ (help) you with your project.
15. If she _____ (not forget) to set her alarm, she _____ (wake up) on time for the interview yesterday.
16. If you _____ (listen) to my advice, you _____ (not be) in trouble now.
17. He loves adventure, so if he _____ (have) the chance, he _____ (go) skydiving next summer.
18. We lost the match, but if we _____ (train) harder, we _____ (win).
19. If she _____ (not break) her phone last week, she _____ (not need) a new one now.
20. I'm exhausted. If I _____ (go) to bed earlier last night, I _____ (feel) much better today.

Mixed Conditionals II + III III + II

3. Fill in using mixed conditional (type II + III or III + II).

1. I'm currently searching for a new apartment. If I _____ (not/move out) of my last place, I _____ (not/search) for a new one.
2. Mark didn't go on vacation this year, so he's at work. He _____ (not/be) at work if he _____ (go) on vacation.
3. If he _____ (understand) the importance of the meeting, he _____ (arrive) on time.
4. If they _____ (have) more information, they _____ (make) a better decision yesterday.
5. Emily woke up late and feels groggy. If she _____ (wake up) early, she _____ (not/feel) groggy now.
6. If she _____ (listen) to the weather forecast, she _____ (wear) warmer clothes today.
7. If he _____ (study) harder in high school, he _____ (be) in a better university now.
8. If she _____ (take) the medicine, she _____ (feel) better today.
9. Our local team didn't practice much, so they lost the game. If they _____ (practice) harder, they _____ (win) the game.
10. Lisa and her sister had a misunderstanding, and they haven't spoken since. If Lisa _____ (clarify) the misunderstanding, they _____ (still/talk) to each other.
11. If she _____ (accept) his proposal, he _____ (be) married now.
12. If Jack _____ (study) harder in high school, he _____ (be) in a better university now.
13. I'm stuck in traffic right now. If the traffic _____ (not/be) so bad, I _____ (arrive) on time.
14. Sarah needs to improve her grades this semester. If she _____ (improve) her grades, she _____ (not/have) to attend summer school.
15. I'm indoors right now because it's snowing. If it _____ (not/snow), I _____ (be) outside.
16. If he _____ (know) the truth, he _____ (tell) me.
17. If they _____ (know) it was your birthday, they _____ (come) to the party.
18. If I _____ (understand) Spanish, I _____ (watch) the original version of the movie.

type I + II

19. If you _____ (destroy) my dress, I _____ (murder) you.
20. If he _____ (save) money, he _____ (have) a better life.

It's (high/about) time

4. Complete the sentences with the correct verb form.

1. It's high time you _____ (start) studying for your exams.
2. It's about time we _____ (leave) for the airport, or we'll miss the flight!
3. Don't you think it's high time she _____ (apologize) for her rude behavior?
4. It's about time the government _____ (take) action on climate change.
5. It's high time I _____ (get) a new phone—this one keeps freezing!
6. They are always late. It's about time they _____ (arrive) on time for a change.
7. It's high time Tom _____ (stop) playing video games all night.
8. Our teacher is so strict! It's about time she _____ (become) more understanding.
9. It's high time we _____ (do) something fun instead of studying all the time.
10. Your room is a mess! It's about time you _____ (clean) it.

5. Rewrite the sentences using “It's high time” or “It's about time.”

1. You should make a decision about your future.
→ _____
2. We should go to bed; it's really late.
→ _____
3. The company should raise employees' salaries.
→ _____
4. I should start eating healthier.
→ _____
5. She should get a new job.
→ _____
6. The neighbours should stop making so much noise.
→ _____
7. He should finally ask her out on a date.
→ _____
8. We should renovate the kitchen—it's falling apart!
→ _____
9. They should fix the broken streetlights in our neighbourhood.
→ _____
10. The movie should start soon—we've been waiting for too long!
→ _____

As if/though

6. Complete the sentences with “as if” or “as though” and the correct past simple form of the verb.

1. He looks at me _____ he _____ (see) a ghost.
2. She talks _____ she _____ (know) everything about the topic.
3. You act _____ nothing _____ (happen).
4. They behaved _____ they _____ (be) the owners of the place.
5. He sounds _____ he _____ (be) really tired.
6. She drives _____ she _____ (compete) in a Formula 1 race.
7. He stared at me _____ he _____ (try) to remember something.
8. It seems _____ you _____ (have) a great time at the party.
9. She feels _____ she _____ (be) in a dream.
10. The house looks _____ it _____ (not belong) to anyone.

7. Complete the sentences with “as if” or “as though” and the correct past perfect form of the verb.

1. He looked at me _____ he _____ (see) a ghost before.
2. She spoke _____ she _____ (never/hear) the news before.
3. They reacted _____ something terrible _____ (happen).
4. He walked into the room _____ he _____ (own) the place for years.
5. She sighed _____ she _____ (just/lose) a great opportunity.
6. It was raining heavily, but he behaved _____ it _____ (not/start) yet.
7. The teacher looked at them _____ they _____ (commit) a crime.
8. He explained the situation _____ he _____ (already/solve) the problem.
9. When she arrived, she felt _____ she _____ (be) there before.
10. After hearing the news, he reacted _____ he _____ (know) about it all along.

8. Complete the sentences with “as if” or “as though” and the correct past simple or perfect form of the verb.

1. He looks so exhausted _____ he _____ (not sleep) at all last night.
2. She acts _____ she _____ (be) a celebrity, but no one knows her.
3. They were whispering _____ they _____ (hide) a big secret from us.
4. He speaks _____ he _____ (know) everything, but he actually doesn't.
5. When we arrived, they treated us _____ we _____ (meet) before.
6. The room was a mess, _____ a tornado _____ (hit) it.
7. She smiled at me _____ we _____ (be) best friends, even though we had just met.
8. He walked into the meeting late _____ nothing _____ (happen).
9. It was so quiet in the house _____ no one _____ (live) there for years.
10. He reacts to criticism _____ he _____ (never/make) a mistake in his life.
11.  You look exhausted, _____ you _____ (work) all night.
12.  He reacts _____ he _____ (see) such a thing before.

Suppose/Supposing

9. Complete the sentences with “Suppose” or “Supposing” and the correct past simple verb.

1. _____ you _____ (win) the lottery, what would you do?
2. _____ we _____ (miss) the last train, how would we get home?
3. _____ she _____ (find) out the truth, do you think she would be angry?
4. _____ he _____ (not come) to the party, would you still go?
5. _____ you _____ (wake up) in a different country, what would you do?
6. _____ we _____ (be) the only people on Earth, how would we survive?
7. _____ they _____ (ask) you for help, would you say yes?
8. _____ your best friend _____ (betray) you, how would you react?
9. _____ you _____ (lose) your phone, what would be the first thing you do?
10. _____ you _____ (have) a chance to meet any historical figure, who would it be?

10. Complete the sentences with “Suppose” or “Supposing” and the correct past perfect verb.

1. _____ we _____ (leave) earlier, would we have caught the bus?
2. _____ she _____ (not forget) to set the alarm, would she have been late?
3. _____ you _____ (study) harder, do you think you would have passed?
4. _____ they _____ (not make) that mistake, would they have won the competition?
5. _____ he _____ (not drink) so much, do you think he would have felt better?
6. _____ you _____ (tell) the truth, would things have turned out differently?
7. _____ I _____ (not see) it with my own eyes, I wouldn't have believed it.
8. _____ we _____ (bring) an umbrella, we wouldn't have gotten wet.
9. _____ you _____ (not take) that job, where do you think you would be now?
10. _____ she _____ (follow) the instructions, do you think it would have worked?

11. Complete the sentences with “Suppose” or “Supposing” and the correct verb form.

1. _____ we _____ (lose) the map, how would we find our way?
2. _____ you _____ (not take) that decision last year, how different would your life be now?
3. _____ he _____ (forget) his passport, would he still be able to board the flight?
4. _____ she _____ (wake up) in the middle of the night and hear a strange noise, what would she do?
5. _____ they _____ (not meet) five years ago, do you think they would be married today?
6. _____ you _____ (be) able to survive alone on a deserted island?
7. _____ we _____ (know) about the problem earlier, we could have fixed it.
8. _____ she _____ (win) the contest, do you think she would be famous now?
9. _____ I _____ (not see) it myself, I wouldn't have believed you.
10. _____ you _____ (wake up) tomorrow and everything was different, what would you do?
11.  _____ you _____ (get) lost in a foreign country, what would you do?
12.  _____ he _____ (not show up) time, should we start without him?

Would rather/sooner sb

12. Complete the sentences with “would rather” or “would sooner” and the correct past simple verb.

1. I **would rather** you _____ (stay) home tonight instead of going out.
2. She **would sooner** he _____ (not talk) about personal matters in public.
3. We **would rather** they _____ (arrive) on time for a change.
4. He **would sooner** his friends _____ (stop) calling him so late at night.
5. I **would rather** you _____ (speak) to me directly if you have a problem.
6. They **would sooner** she _____ (not bring) up that topic again.
7. My parents **would rather** I _____ (focus) more on my studies.
8. She **would sooner** her brother _____ (help) with housework more often.
9. I **would rather** you _____ (tell) the truth than lie to me.
10. He **would sooner** they _____ (not make) fun of him in front of others.

13. Complete the sentences with “would rather” or “would sooner” and the correct past perfect verb.

1. I **would rather** you _____ (call) me before coming over last night.
2. She **would sooner** he _____ (not say) that during the meeting.
3. We **would rather** they _____ (apologize) for their mistake earlier.
4. He **would sooner** his parents _____ (support) his decision instead of criticizing him.
5. I **would rather** you _____ (not tell) her my secret.
6. They **would sooner** she _____ (not make) such a big scene at the restaurant.
7. My teacher **would rather** we _____ (hand in) our assignments on time.
8. She **would sooner** her friends _____ (help) her when she needed it.
9. I **would rather** you _____ (listen) to my advice before making a decision.
10. He **would sooner** they _____ (not forget) about his birthday.

14. Complete the sentences with “would rather” or “would sooner” and the correct verb form.

1. I **would rather** you _____ (be) more honest with me in the future.
2. She **would sooner** you _____ (not talk) to her like that again.
3. He **would rather** you _____ (tell) him the truth yesterday instead of lying.
4. They **would sooner** their teacher _____ (explain) the material more clearly last week.
5. I **would rather** we _____ (leave) now before the traffic gets worse.
6. She **would sooner** he _____ (not invite) so many people to the party last night.
7. We **would rather** our neighbours _____ (not play) loud music so late at night.
8. He **would sooner** you _____ (help) him instead of just watching.
9. I **would rather** you _____ (not interrupt) me while I'm speaking.
10. She **would sooner** you _____ (have) a better attitude when dealing with customers.

Had better

15. Complete the sentences with “had better” and the correct verb.

1. You _____ (**leave**) now if you don't want to miss the train.
2. She _____ (**not forget**) her passport before going to the airport.
3. We _____ (**finish**) this report by tomorrow, or the boss will be angry.
4. He _____ (**apologize**) before things get worse.
5. You _____ (**not stay**) out too late; you have an early meeting tomorrow.

16. Rewrite the sentences using “It would have been better.”

1. I should have studied harder for the exam.
→ **It would have been better if I** _____.
2. She shouldn't have trusted him.
→ **It would have been better if she** _____.
3. We should have left earlier to avoid traffic.
→ **It would have been better if we** _____.
4. He shouldn't have eaten so much fast food.
→ **It would have been better if he** _____.
5. They should have booked a hotel in advance.
→ **It would have been better if they** _____.

17. Rewrite the sentences using “had better” or “It would have been better.”

1. You should call your mother soon.
→ **You** _____ **call your mother soon.**
2. I shouldn't have spoken so rudely to my friend.
→ **It** _____ **if I hadn't spoken so rudely to my friend.**
3. She must take an umbrella because it's going to rain.
→ **She** _____ **take an umbrella; it's going to rain.**
4. We should have checked the weather forecast before going on a trip.
→ **It** _____ **if we had checked the weather forecast before going on a trip.**
5. You need to submit the project by Friday.
→ **You** _____ **the project by Friday.**
6. He shouldn't have spent all his money on video games.
→ **It** _____ **if he hadn't spent all his money on video games.**
7. The children should go to bed now.
→ **The children** _____ **go to bed now.**
8. She regrets not listening to her parents' advice.
→ **It would have been better** _____ **to her parents' advice.**
9. You must see a doctor if the pain continues.
→ **You** _____ **see a doctor if the pain continues.**
10. They shouldn't have ignored the warning signs.
→ **It** _____ **the warning signs.**

Prefer | Rather

18. Complete the sentences with the correct verb in the bare infinitive.

1. I'd rather _____ (stay) home tonight than go out.
2. She'd rather _____ (drink) tea than coffee.
3. We'd rather _____ (not take) the bus and walk instead.
4. He'd rather _____ (finish) his work before going to the party.
5. They'd rather _____ (watch) a movie than go to the concert.

19. Rewrite the sentences using “'d rather” with the bare past infinitive.

1. I regret not telling the truth.
→ **I'd rather** _____ (**tell**) the truth.
2. She wishes she hadn't spent so much money.
→ **She'd rather** _____ (**not spend**) so much money.
3. They regret not studying harder for the exam.
→ **They'd rather** _____ (**study**) harder for the exam.
4. He wishes he had accepted the job offer.
→ **He'd rather** _____ (**accept**) the job offer.
5. We regret not leaving earlier.
→ **We'd rather** _____ (**leave**) earlier.

20. Choose the correct structure and complete the sentences.

1. I'd rather you _____ (call) me before coming over.
2. She'd rather we _____ (not talk) about that subject anymore.
3. He'd rather _____ (travel) alone than with a big group.
4. They'd rather their children _____ (focus) on school instead of social media.
5. I'd rather _____ (go) hiking this weekend than stay at home.
6. We'd rather he _____ (not bring) up that embarrassing story again yesterday.
7. She'd rather _____ (choose) a different university in the past.
8. He'd rather you _____ (be) honest with him from the beginning.
9. You'd rather _____ (not eat) too much junk food.
10. I'd rather my friend _____ (tell) me the truth instead of lying.

21. Complete the sentences with the correct gerund form of the verbs. (*General situations*)

1. I prefer _____ (read) books to _____ (watch) TV.
2. She prefers _____ (cycle) to _____ (run).
3. We prefer _____ (stay) at home to _____ (go) out in bad weather.
4. He prefers _____ (listen) to music to _____ (play) video games.
5. They prefer _____ (eat) healthy food to _____ (order) fast food.

22. Rewrite the sentences using “prefer to” and “rather than.” (*General situations*)

1. She likes to drink coffee more than tea.
→ **She prefers** _____ (**drink**) coffee **rather than** _____ (**drink**) tea.
2. I like to walk to work instead of taking the bus.
→ **I prefer** _____ (**walk**) **to work rather than** _____ (**take**) the bus.
3. They like to study in the morning rather than at night.
→ **They prefer** _____ (**study**) **in the morning rather than** _____ (**study**) at night.
4. He enjoys working alone instead of in a team.
→ **He prefers** _____ (**work**) **alone rather than** _____ (**work**) **in a team.**
5. We like to cook at home rather than eat out.
→ **We prefer** _____ (**cook**) **at home rather than** _____ (**eat**) **out.**

23. Complete the sentences with the correct form. (A specific situation)

1. I **would prefer** _____ (stay) in a hotel **rather than** _____ (camp) in a tent this time.
2. She **would prefer** _____ (order) pizza **rather than** _____ (cook) dinner tonight.
3. They **would prefer** _____ (take) a taxi **rather than** _____ (walk) home in the rain.
4. He **would prefer** _____ (watch) a movie **rather than** _____ (go) to the concert this evening.
5. We **would prefer** _____ (visit) a museum **rather than** _____ (go) shopping today.

24. Choose the correct form and complete the sentences. (A general or specific situation)

1. I **would rather** _____ (stay) at home **than** _____ (go) out tonight.
2. She **would rather** _____ (eat) pasta **than** _____ (eat) rice for lunch.
3. We **would rather** _____ (travel) by train **than** _____ (fly).
4. He **would rather** _____ (read) a book **than** _____ (watch) TV.
5. They **would rather** _____ (work) alone **than** _____ (work) in a group.

25. Rewrite the sentences using “rather” or “prefer” structures.

1. I like reading more than watching TV.
→ **I prefer** _____.
2. She enjoys jogging more than going to the gym.
→ **She prefers** _____.
3. I'd like to eat sushi instead of pizza tonight.
→ **I would prefer** _____.
4. He wants to take a taxi, but she wants to walk.
→ **He would rather** _____.
5. We'd like to go to the beach rather than stay in the city.
→ **We would prefer** _____.
6. If it was up to me, he shouldn't go there.
→ **I would rather he** _____.
7. I would rather drink coffee than tea.
→ **I prefer** _____.
8. They'd rather stay home than go out tonight.
→ **They prefer** _____.
9. We'd rather go on holiday in July than in August.
→ **We prefer** _____.
10. I regret not accepting the job offer.
→ **I'd rather** _____.
11. He should study harder if he wants to pass the exam.
→ **He had better** _____.
12. She enjoys listening to music more than reading books.
→ **She prefers** _____.
13. They like playing football more than basketball.
→ **They prefer** _____.
14. Ann should've apologized to Eve, if you ask me.
→ **I would rather Ann** _____.
15. I'd rather you called me before coming over.
→ **I would prefer** _____.
16. She'd rather her boss gave her more responsibilities.
→ **She would prefer** _____.
17. We like cooking at home instead of ordering takeaway.
→ **We prefer** _____.
18. He wishes he had studied medicine instead of law.
→ **He would rather** _____.

19. I wish I had gone to bed earlier last night.
→ **I would rather** _____.
20. She'd rather work alone than in a team.
→ **She prefers** _____.
21. I'd rather you didn't interrupt me.
→ **I would prefer** _____.
22. They like eating healthy food more than junk food.
→ **They prefer** _____.
23. She regrets not moving abroad.
→ **She would rather** _____.
24. He likes spending time outdoors more than sitting at home.
→ **He prefers** _____.
25. I'd rather you didn't tell anyone my secret.
→ **I would prefer** _____.
26. We should book the tickets now instead of doing it tomorrow.
→ **I would prefer** _____.
27. You shouldn't waste your time on that.
→ **I'd rather you** _____.
28. She loves swimming much more than running.
→ **She prefers** _____.
29. I would rather go skiing than stay at home this winter.
→ **I prefer** _____.
30. He'd rather you told him the truth.
→ **He would prefer** _____.