WORKBOOK UNIT 4.3

What do you regret no having done?

1 Look at the people in photos a–c. What do you think they regret?







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2 Match what the people say to the photos in 1.

1 *I should have studied harder at school. I didn't take it seriously at the time, but now, doing this job, I realize how important it was.* _____

2 *I shouldn't have chosen political science as my major. I thought it would be interesting, but it isn't.* _____

3 *I shouldn't have gone out with my friends at the weekend. I should have studied for my test this morning.* _____

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3 **Rewrite a–f as if you were regretting your choice.**

a "I didn't think carefully about my options."

I should have thought more carefully about my options.

b "Truth is I didn't get into law school 'cause I didn't work hard enough." I should have ...

c "Choosing engineering instead of art was a big mistake." I should have ...

d "Everybody says I didn't get the job because I didn't dress appropriately for the interview." I should have ...

e "My career just isn't taking off 'cause I didn't go to music school when I had the chance, I guess." I should have ...

f "I dropped out of college 'cause I wanted to make money straight away. Now I'm stuck in this boring, badly paid job." I shouldn't have ...

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4 4.6 **Listen and express regrets. Follow the model.**

It was a mistake to drop out.

I shouldn't have dropped out.

5 4.7 **Order the phrases, 1–5, to make three dialogues a–c. Listen to check.**

a
- [ ] Really? What did you do?
- [ ] I was in 5th grade, I think, and I stuck the teacher's purse to a table.
- [ ] I have no idea. I really don't know.
- [ ] Why did you do such a thing?
- [1] I did something terrible at school once.

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b ☐ I looked my mother in the eye and told her that I hated her with all my heart.

☐ Really? What did you say?

☐ Yep! I don't really know where that came from.

☐ I said something really mean once.

☐ What a terrible thing to say!

c ☐ So I hit it off with my hand, but it hit the wall and broke into a thousand pieces. And I realized it wasn't an insect. It was some kind of brooch.

☐ Oh, no! What a silly thing to do!

☐ I did the most embarrassing thing a while ago.

☐ This teacher came up to me and there was this insect on her blouse.

☐ Really? What did you do?

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6 4.8 Listen to extracts a–c, choose the correct option and react after the beep.

a Really? What did you **say** / **do**?

b Why would you **say** / **do** such a thing?

c What a silly thing to **say** / **do**!

7 **Make it personal** Is there anything about your school life that you regret? Discuss with a classmate.

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