

## Wishes and Hopes

Match the statements below to the responses.

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| 1. "I would really like to go up the Empire State building."                                         | a. "Cool. But I think that might be too dangerous for me."       |
| 2. "I've always dreamed of writing a novel."                                                         | b. "Hmm, that's not really my thing. I'm not very creative."     |
| 3. "One of my ambitions is to be an extra in a movie."                                               | c. Oh, I wouldn't do that. I'm scared of heights.                |
| 4. "I really want to swim with sharks."                                                              | d. "Don't let that stop you! Just do it for fun."                |
| 5. "I hope I get to hold a koala."                                                                   | e. "I'm sure you will! Just buy that plane ticket to Australia!" |
| 6. "I really wish I could learn to play an instrument, but I don't think I have any musical talent." | f. "Wow. That would be amazing!"                                 |

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Study the box below.

- We use the verb **hope** when we have a **good reason to think that something might happen**.

We use **hope + to + infinitive** to talk about things we **want to do**.

*I hope to see* the Grand Canyon one day.

- We can use the phrase **'I hope I get to.....'** when we talk about something **we hope we have the chance to do**.

*I hope I get to* swim with dolphins. That would make me very happy!

- We use the verb **wish** when we talk about things that we **don't expect to happen**.
- We use **wish with could + infinitive** to talk about things that we **want to be different** in the **present or future**.
- When we use **could**, (the past simple of **can**), we talk about **ability or possibility**.

*I wish I could buy* a house, but I don't have the money.

*I wish I could play* the guitar.

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Look at the situations below. Write sentences about them using 'wish + could + infinitive'.

1. You really want to visit Las Vegas but you don't have enough money. " I wish I could visit Las Vegas . "
2. You want a cat but you are allergic to them.  
" ..... "
3. You can't find the time to write your novel.  
" ..... "
4. You want to get a tattoo but your parents won't let you.  
" ..... "
5. You want to drive, but you haven't passed your test.  
" ..... "
6. Your friend invites you to a party, but you have to work.  
" ..... "
7. You want to become a doctor, but you don't have the qualifications.  
" ..... "

### Popular bucket list items

Look at the pictures below.

These are popular bucket list items in the UK.

Work with a partner and discuss the questions below.

Use the phrases from the previous exercise.

Which ones have you done?  
Which ones would you like to do?  
Which ones don't interest you?



1.



3.



5.



2.



4.



6.