

MINI QUIZ 16 – UNREAL PAST

Choose a, b, c or d.

1. Chris acted as if he ____ the book, even though he knew nothing about it.
a. read c. will read
b. reads d. had read
2. I'd rather you ____ to Anna about my personal problems.
a. don't talk c. won't talk
b. didn't talk d. not to talk
3. If only I ____ my brother's book. Now he won't let me borrow anything again.
a. didn't lose c. wouldn't lose
b. hadn't lost d. wasn't losing
4. John wishes he ____ abroad more often.
a. travels c. could travel
b. can travel d. will travel
5. It's time we ____ the house. It's such a mess!
a. clean c. have cleaned
b. cleaned d. got cleaned
6. Trevor wished that he ____ at his brother as he looked upset afterwards.
a. hadn't yelled c. wouldn't yell
b. didn't yell d. couldn't yell

Complete with the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

1. I'd rather Susan _____ (do) the shopping without me yesterday.
2. I wish you _____ (take) responsibility for your actions, instead of blaming other people.
3. I'd rather you _____ (wait) for me to arrive and _____ (not order). I don't like what you chose.
4. If only I _____ (not stay up) so late last night; now I'm very sleepy.
5. I wish you _____ (not have to) move to Poland.
6. If only I _____ (have) my own car; I wouldn't have to take the bus anymore.
7. Tom talks so loudly on his mobile phone. He acts as though he _____ (be) the only person in the office.

Read the following situations and write sentences starting with the words given.

1. You have been studying for a test for three hours and need a break.
It's high time _____.
2. You want to buy a crime novel but you don't have enough money on you.
I wish _____.
3. You didn't go on the skiing trip with your friends and now you regret it.
If only _____.
4. You wanted your friend to tell you the truth earlier but she didn't.
I'd rather _____.
5. You would like to borrow your sister's shirt, but she won't lend it to you.
I wish _____.