

INTERMEDIATE LANGUAGE PRACTICE

1 Underline the correct word or phrase in each sentence.

- 1 I'm sunburnt. I wish I *hadn't sunbathed/didn't sunbathe* for so long.
- 2 I don't feel well. I wish I *could stay/stayed* at home today.
- 3 I'm not a good swimmer, but I wish I *could swim/would swim* well.
- 4 I wish I *had/have* a puppy or a kitten!
- 5 I wish I *could see/saw* you tomorrow, but it's impossible.
- 6 I wish Jim *didn't sit/doesn't sit* next to me. He's so annoying!
- 7 If only we *had/would have* some money, we could take the bus.
- 8 I hope you *enjoyed/enjoy* yourselves at the dance tomorrow.
- 9 I wish I *can/could* speak English better!
- 10 I hope I'll/I'd win the lottery!

2 Underline the correct continuation for each sentence.

- 1 I've got lots of work to do, and I'm tired, but I can't stop.
a) I wish I had taken a rest. b) I wish I could take a rest.
- 2 I wasn't paying attention in class, and now I can't do my homework.
a) I wish I listened to my teacher. b) I wish I'd listened to my teacher.
- 3 Sarah painted her room green, but she doesn't like it.
a) She wishes she'd painted it blue. b) She wishes she painted it blue.
- 4 This is a very puzzling problem!
a) I wish I'd known the answer. b) I wish I knew the answer.
- 5 It's really cold and miserable here in the winter.
a) I wish we lived in a warm place. b) I hope we live in a warm place.
- 6 I can't repair my bike because I haven't got any tools.
a) If only I would have a screwdriver. b) If only I had a screwdriver.
- 7 I'm worried about my basketball team. Perhaps they won't win!
a) I wish they play well. b) I hope they play well.
- 8 You promised not to tell anyone my secrets but you did!
a) I wish I hadn't told you. b) I wish I didn't tell you.
- 9 I've been feeling ill all week.
a) I hope I feel better soon. b) I hope I'd feel better soon.
- 10 I want to see my sister. I haven't seen her for ages.
a) I wish I could speak to her. b) I wish I spoke to her.