

Read the theory and solve the activities.

1 Complete the sentences. Use the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

- 0 My grandad wishes he ...*could use*... (can / use) a computer.
- 1 Bruce wishes he (have) more money so he could buy a new sweater.
- 2 If only I (be) taller! I'd love to be in the basketball team.
- 3 I wish I (not spend) all my money. Now I don't have enough for my bus fare!
- 4 I wish you (not watch) TV while I'm talking to you!
- 5 I wish you (not do) that. It's really annoying!
- 6 Ella wishes she (not speak) to her friend like that last night.
- 7 If only they (not build) that block of flats right in front of our window!
- 8 Of course Tom wishes he (can / come) with us but he has to stay here and work.
- 9 I wish we (can / go) to the match on Saturday but we're visiting my uncle.
- 10 I really wish you (not tell) Mary. Now she knows everything!
- 11 If only you (not lose) all our money. Now we're broke.
- 12 Peter's always late. If only he (turn up) on time for a change!

2 Write two sentences for each item. Use *I wish* or *if only* and the phrases in the box.

*drive more carefully get to the bus stop five minutes earlier let someone else drive
not be so rude to her ~~not eat so much~~ not forget to set the alarm not lose my temper
play fewer computer games recycle more paper respect the environment
revise for it ~~take more exercise~~ use their bikes instead use their cars less often
watch less TV work harder*

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| <p>0 I've gained a lot of weight.
I wish <i>I hadn't eaten so much</i>.....
If only <i>I'd taken more exercise</i>.....</p> <p>1 He crashed his car.
I wish</p> <p>If only</p> <p>2 I had a row with my best friend.
I wish</p> <p>If only</p> <p>3 Children don't read enough nowadays.
I wish</p> <p>If only</p> | <p>4 We're cutting down too many trees.
I wish</p> <p>If only</p> <p>5 I failed my science test.
I wish</p> <p>If only</p> <p>6 I missed my bus.
I wish</p> <p>If only</p> <p>7 People use their cars when they don't need to.
I wish</p> <p>If only</p> |
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3 Write a sentence for each item. Use *I wish* or *if only* and the words in brackets.

- 0 The weather is awful. (improve)
If only the weather would improve!
- 1 He leaves the tap running all the time. (turn off)
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- 2 Jamie is very angry. (calm down)
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- 3 People hunt animals for sport. (stop)
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- 4 The people next door have their TV on and it's too loud. (turn down)
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- 5 Your friend keeps complaining about everything all the time. (stop)
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- 6 Your favourite team has lost every match so far. (win)
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- 7 Too much rubbish is thrown away. (recycle)
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- 8 It doesn't rain enough. (more)
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4 What are these people wishing? Complete the sentences.

0  If only I'd taken an umbrella with me.

1  If only

2  If only

3  If only

4  If only

5  If only

6  If only

7  If only

