

Wish/if only – Activities

The following sentences express wishes about present situations. Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs.

1. I wish I _____ (*know*) how to sing. Maybe I'll take lessons one day.
2. The fireworks are so beautiful! If only Stella _____ (*be*) here, they're her favourite.
3. Chris is tired of the city, sometimes he wishes that he _____ (*live*) in the countryside.
4. I like that restaurant, but I wish they _____ (*have*) more vegetarian options.
5. I feel so useless, I wish I _____ (*can*) help you somehow.

The following sentences express wishes about past situations. Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verb in brackets.

1. I miss my grandad a lot. If only I _____ (*spend*) more time with him while he was alive.
2. Sarah wishes she _____ (*take*) the job in Madrid last year.
3. I can't believe you saw dolphins at the beach this morning! I wish I _____ (*be*) there!
4. Gavin didn't enjoy his degree at all. He wishes that he _____ (*do*) a different course.
5. If only we _____ (*listen*) to your advice. The event would have been much better.