

## Wish – Unreal past

Your full name: .....

**Task 1. Give the correct forms of the given verbs.**

1. It's time we \_\_\_\_\_ (try) to do something about this situation.
2. I'd rather you \_\_\_\_\_ (continue) taking your medication for a few days. Let's say until next Monday.
3. I wish you \_\_\_\_\_ (not leave) your stuff everywhere all the time. I'm tired of tidying up after you.
4. If only we \_\_\_\_\_ (know) sooner. We could have prevented the situation.
5. Would you rather I \_\_\_\_\_ (stay) at your place next weekend?
6. I'd rather you \_\_\_\_\_ (make) that comment last night. You hurt me.
7. It's time for you \_\_\_\_\_ (finish) what you started.
8. We'd rather you \_\_\_\_\_ (not come) too late tonight.
9. Suppose you \_\_\_\_\_ (have) enough money to invest? Where would you invest it?
10. It's time you \_\_\_\_\_ (think) seriously about what you want to do with your life.

**Task 2. Choose the correct options.**

1. What if you \_\_\_\_\_ a superpower of your choice? Which would it be?
  - a. will have
  - b. have
  - c. could have
  - d. will have
2. I wish they \_\_\_\_\_ a bit more respect in the last meeting.
  - a. would show
  - b. did showed
  - c. showed
  - d. had shown

3. I like my job, but I hate my boss. If only I \_\_\_\_\_ a better boss.

- a. had
- b. would have
- c. have
- d. 'd had

4. You don't like the essay topic we chose, do you? Would you rather we \_\_\_\_\_ a different topic?

- a. would chose
- b. would have chosen
- c. had chosen
- d. chose

5. If there are any cuts, cracks or bulges in your tyre, it's time you \_\_\_\_\_ them.

- a. would replace
- b. replaced
- c. might replace
- d. had replaced

6. If only they \_\_\_\_\_ how important they are to each other. They wouldn't be arguing all the time.

- a. known
- b. might know
- c. knew
- d. know

7. I'd rather we \_\_\_\_\_ the car. I'm tired and don't feel like walking.

- a. took
- b. had taken
- c. would take
- d. take

8. He seems so lost. Isn't it time you \_\_\_\_\_ a chat with him.

- a. have
- b. would have
- c. to have
- d. had

**Task 3. Rewrite the sentences below using the words in brackets. Do NOT use contractions.**

1. We should have checked the hotel reviews before we made the reservation. (**wish**)

I \_\_\_\_\_ the hotel reviews before we made the reservation.

2. I would like you to stop calling me. It's annoying. (**if only**)

\_\_\_\_\_ calling me.

3. I'd prefer you not to talk about this in public. (**rather**)

I \_\_\_\_\_ about this in public.

4. You are an adult now, and you should start acting like one. (**time**)

You are an adult now, and it's \_\_\_\_\_ like one.

5. I would like my son to be as responsible as yours. (**wish**)

\_\_\_\_\_ as responsible as yours.

6. I would have preferred you to talk to me before saying anything. (**rather**)

I'd \_\_\_\_\_ to me before saying anything.

7. Let's pretend this: you are invisible for one day. What would you do? (**suppose**)

\_\_\_\_\_ invisible for one day. What would you do?

8. You should have invited Terry to the party. He's a real laugh. (**if only**)

\_\_\_\_\_ Terry to the party. He's a real laugh.

9. You really need to take a break. You well deserve it. (**time**)

It's \_\_\_\_\_. You well deserve it.

10. I'd like him to talk to me about his problems. I'm tired of having to guess what's wrong with him.  
(**wish**)

\_\_\_\_\_ to me about his problems. I'm tired of having to guess what's wrong with him.

**Task 4. Complete using the correct form of the verb in brackets.**

1. Don't you think it's time you ..... (tell) Andrea the truth?
2. What if we ..... (rent) a villa by the sea for the summer?
3. I'd rather people ..... (send) me e-mails than (phone) me.
4. Suppose you ..... (be going to) open a clothes shop. What kind of clothes would you stock?
5. It's time to ..... (go) now.
6. If you ..... (have) a time machine, which era would you want to go back to?
7. Shelia would come with us if she ..... (not have to) work tomorrow.
8. We'd rather you (not lend) Brenda any more money – she's got to learn not to spend what she doesn't have.
9. It's high time I ..... (leave).
10. What if we ..... (get) married? Would that make you happy?

**Task 5. Choose the correct answer.**

- 1) I wish I **would** | **could** see my girlfriend during my stay in Rome.
- 2) She wishes she **had** | **had had** a holiday now.
- 3) If only George **hadn't sold** | **didn't sell** all these old CD's last year.
- 4) I wish it **had stopped** | **would stop** raining tomorrow.
- 5) If only I **learnt** | **had learnt** English when I was younger.
- 6) I wish she **wasn't leaving** | **didn't leave** right now.
- 7) If only I **was told** | **had been told** about the meeting yesterday.

8) I wish you **could** | **would** be quiet.

9) She wishes she **was** | **would be** more beautiful.

10) I wish I **was swimming** | **swam** in the sea now.

11) I wish Graham **could see** | **had seen** the children now.

12) I wish I **was** | **would be** famous now.