

I wish and if only Exercise

There are three distinct types of I wish / if only sentences:-

1 - **Regrets** with the PAST PERFECT (the third conditional)

I wish I hadn't got so angry.

2 - **Wanting change** for the present or future with the PAST SIMPLE

I wish I had enough money to go to Mozambique this summer.

3 - **Complaints** with WOULD + INFINITIVE

I wish you wouldn't arrive so late all the time.

Fill the gaps using the verbs in brackets.

Regrets

- 1 I wish I drunk and kissed Samantha. (get NEGATIVE)
- 2 I wish it so much. The garden's turned to mud. (rain NEGATIVE)
- 3 If only I there, I wouldn't have got a fine. (park NEGATIVE)

Wanting change

- 4 If only I more time for my hobbies. (have)
- 5 I wish it more often in Valencia. (rain)
- 6 I wish I to go to your nephew's wedding. (have NEGATIVE)

Complaints

- 7 I wish you so much. You're a complete idiot when you're drunk. (drink NEGATIVE)
- 8 If only it The garden's as dry as a bone. (rain)
- 9 I wish Samantha her hair more often. It looks so greasy all the time. (wash)

Mixed

- 10 I wish you so horrible to your brother. He's a really nice bloke. (be NEGATIVE)
- 11 I wish the council that beautiful old house. It was part of the town's heritage. (demolish NEGATIVE)
- 12 If only I the money to go to Jon's wedding in The States. (have)
- 13 I wish I her she'd put on weight. She hates me now. (tell NEGATIVE)
- 14 I wish you to your mother like that. (speak NEGATIVE)
- 15 If only we a Hewlett Packard printer. The cartridges are so expensive. (buy NEGATIVE)
- 16 I wish Jorge so fast. It's only a matter of time before he kills someone. (drive NEGATIVE)