

EXERCISES WITH USES OF WISH

1- WISH + PAST PERFECT is used to express REGRETS in the past, impossible to change.

Read each consequence of not doing something in the past and choose the REGRET expressed correctly.

I paid a fine of 1500 dollars for missing 3 flights.

- I wish I didn't waste money paying fines for missing flights.
- I wish I hadn't wasted money paying fines for missing flights.
- I wish I would waste money paying fines for missing flights.

I couldn't visit my friend, Ann, at the hospital, and she already passed away.

- I wish I had visited my friend, Ann, earlier at the hospital.
- I wish I could visit my friend, Ann, earlier at the hospital.
- I wish I visited my friend, Ann, earlier at the hospital.

I lent Joe 3000 dollars 5 years ago, and now he doesn't want to pay me that money back.

- I wish I didn't lend Joe 3000 dollars 5 years ago.
- I wish I wouldn't lend Joe 3000 dollars 5 years ago.
- I wish I hadn't lent Joe 3000 dollars 5 years ago.

Jacob had a car crash last week because he was driving at high speed.

- Joe wishes he couldn't drive his car at high speed.
- Joe wishes he hadn't driven his car at high speed.
- Joe wishes he didn't drive his car at high speed.

Tom got 60/100 in his research paper because he sent it to his teacher 6 days late.

- Tom wishes he had submitted his research paper on time.
- Tom wishes he submitted his research paper on time.
- Tom wishes he would submit his research paper on time.

Amy didn't get a scholarship to study at college because she had bad grades at school.

- Amy wishes she would get better grades at school.
- Amy wishes she had gotten better grades at school.
- Amy wishes she could get better grades at school.

2.- WISH + SIMPLE PAST is used to express present situations in the present or future, impossible to change.
Match each WISH with its correct current situation impossible to change.

WISH

I wish I had sisters.

Lorena wishes she were 20 years old.

Susan wishes her parents were rich.

Michael wishes he had a bigger house.

Abraham wishes he lived in London.

I wish I were able to speak 3 languages.

I wish I had more time to study for the test.

I wish I lived near my job.

I wish my mom didn't work on Sundays.

CURRENT SITUATION

Her parents have money just for basic things.

He lives in Bogota, Colombia.

I have only 3 hours left to study for the test.

I can't spend time with my mom on weekends.

I have only brothers.

It takes me 3 hours to commute to my job every day.

She is thirty-nine years old.

She has a very small house.

I speak only Spanish.