

Wishes

1. Listen to four people talk about their wishes and **write** the missing words.

How do you wish your life were different?

"I just wish I _____ so busy with my work. I have to work most weekends, so I never have enough time to do anything fun. If I _____ more free time, I'd go kayaking every weekend."

– Berta Palmas,
Monterrey



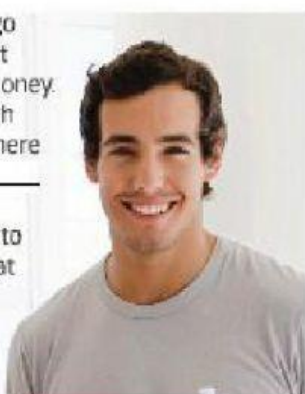
"We just got married, and we're renting a tiny little apartment. It _____ be great if we _____ afford a bigger place to live. We don't have enough room for all our stuff."

– Min Sup and Jin Eun Cho, Seoul



"Well, I never get to go away on holiday. I just don't have enough money. So I wish I _____ enough money to go somewhere exciting. Yeah, if I _____ choose anywhere, I'd probably go to Egypt to see the pyramids. That would be great!"

– Bryan Gibson,
Melbourne



"I wish I _____ so far away from my family. My sister just had a baby – a little boy – and I never get to see him. I really miss everyone. If I _____ closer, I'd be able to help out."

– Irene Chang,
Taipei



2. Match the person to the wish and then **the wish to the reason why they can't have their wish**.

1. Daniel wishes he...

a. Could visit his family more often.

A. But they live faraway.

2. Martine wishes she...

b. Lived somewhere warm and sunny.

B. But he really needs to do the laundry.

3. Miguel wishes he...

c. Could sit down and watch TV.

C. But she has to stay until she graduates.

4. Mi Yun wishes she...

d. Went out more with friends.

D. But everywhere is so expensive.