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# SU4U3 Past Regrets

To make regrets about the past, we use:

I wish
If only
+ past perfect (had/hadn't + past participle)

*Examples: If only I had told him the truth!* *I wish she hadn't said that!*

**Complete the following sentences to make regrets. Pay attention to the situation:**

1. Mark was watching TV until late last night, and now he can't get out of bed.

   I wish… to bed so late last night!

2. Helen failed the exam because she didn't study.

   If only… more!

3. Naomi had an accident because she was driving too fast.

   I wish… driving so fast!

4. Jack bought a very large TV and it doesn't look nice in his small sitting room

   I wish… a smaller TV!

5. Sarah spent all her money and now she can't buy her supper

   If only… all my money!

6. Derek didn't do his homework yesterday and the teacher punished him.

   I wish… my homework yesterday!

7. I forgot to lock the car and they stole my CDs

   If only… the car!

8. I wasn't looking and I parked next to a sign for disabled parking. Now they have towed away my car.

   I wish… the sign!

9. I ate all the cake and now I have tummy ache.

   I wish… so much!

10. I didn't read the book that my friend recommended, and now everyone is talking about it.

    If only… the book!