

Exercices wish

Exercices d'anglais - niveau 1re

Ces exercices wish vont du plus guidé au plus libre : transformations de phrases, choix du temps, correction d'erreurs, traductions puis production écrite. La lettre d'un jeune Jamaïcain arrivé à Londres sert de document au milieu de la série.

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Les exercices

Des exercices wish, if only et I'd rather progressifs

Exercice 1 : Regretter le présent

Transformez chaque phrase en souhait avec I wish + prétérit (ou could).

1. I don't speak Spanish.
2. My flat is so small.
3. I can't vote yet.
4. My parents don't understand me.
5. It's raining again.
6. We have to leave now.

Exercice 2 : Regretter le passé

Exprimez un regret avec wish + past perfect. Gardez le sujet de la phrase.

1. I didn't go to the concert.
2. She told him the secret.
3. We missed the train.
4. I didn't listen to my teacher.
5. They sold their house.
6. He couldn't come to the party.

Partie 2

Exercice 3 : Le bon temps après wish

Choisissez la forme correcte.

1. I wish I (know / knew / had known) the answer now.
2. I wish you (would stop / stopped / had stopped) tapping your pen! It's driving me crazy.
3. She wishes she (took / had taken / would take) that job offer last year.
4. I wish I (am / were / would be) taller.
5. We wish it (would stop / stops / had stopped) raining: we want to go out.
6. He wishes he (has / had / would have) more free time these days.
7. My grandmother wishes she (stayed / had stayed / would stay) in Jamaica in 1950.

Partie 3

Exercice 4 : If only

Réécrivez chaque phrase sous la forme d'une exclamation avec If only.

1. I'm not old enough to drive.
2. I didn't bring an umbrella.
3. The bus never comes on time. (agacement)
4. We can't see the stage.
5. He lost his passport.

Exercice 5 : I'd rather et it's high time

Mettez le verbe entre parenthèses à la forme qui convient.

1. I'd rather you (not tell) ___ anyone.
2. I'd rather (stay) ___ at home tonight.
3. She'd rather her son (study) ___ law.
4. Would you rather (walk) ___ or take the bus?
5. We'd rather they (come) ___ tomorrow.
6. It's high time you (start) ___ revising.

Partie 4

Exercice 6 : Wish ou hope ?

Complétez avec la forme correcte de wish ou de hope.

1. I ___ you have a good trip.
2. I ___ I were on holiday.
3. We ___ it will be sunny tomorrow.
4. She ___ she had more friends at her new school.

5. I ___ to see you again soon.
6. They ___ they had booked earlier.

Exercice 7 : Corriger les erreurs

Chaque phrase contient une erreur. Réécrivez-la correctement.

1. I wish I would be rich.
2. I wish I have more time.
3. I wish I didn't eat so much yesterday.
4. I hope I could fly.
5. I'd rather you don't smoke here.
6. If only I would have known!

Partie 5

Exercice 8 : Traduire en anglais

Traduisez en anglais.

1. Si seulement j'avais su !
2. J'aimerais que tu sois là.
3. Je regrette de ne pas avoir appris l'anglais plus tôt.
4. Je préférerais que tu ne viennes pas.
5. J'aimerais bien qu'il arrête de se plaindre.
6. Il est grand temps que nous partions.

Partie 6

Exercice 9 : Une lettre de 1949

Lisez la lettre puis répondez aux questions en anglais.

London, March 1949

Dear Mum,

It has been nine months since the Empire Windrush docked at Tilbury. I wish you could see the city: the buses are red, the sky is grey and the fog is thicker than porridge. I wish I had brought a warmer coat; the one you gave me is far too thin for this winter. Work is hard to find, and some landlords refuse to rent rooms to people like me. If only people here knew how much we want to help rebuild this country! I wish the landlord would fix the heater, but he never listens. Sometimes I wish I had stayed in Kingston with you, but then I remember why I came. I'd rather you didn't worry: I am well, and I will write again soon.

Your loving son, Winston

1. When and where did Winston arrive in England?
2. What does he regret about his luggage?
3. What does he wish his mother could do?
4. Find a sentence with wish + would. What feeling does it express?
5. Find the sentence in which Winston regrets his decision. Does he really regret it?
6. What does Winston prefer his mother to do? Quote the text.

Partie 7

Exercice 10 : Traduire en français

Traduisez en français correct, sans calque.

1. I wish I could help you.
2. She wishes she hadn't said that.
3. If only it would stop snowing!
4. I'd rather we met at the station.
5. He wishes he were braver.

Exercice 11 : À vous d'écrire

Vous êtes un jeune migrant arrivé au Royaume-Uni il y a un an. Écrivez cinq phrases en suivant les consignes.

1. Un souhait sur votre vie présente (wish + présent).
2. Un souhait sur une capacité (wish + could).
3. Un regret sur votre voyage (wish + past perfect).
4. Une plainte sur quelqu'un (wish + would).
5. Une préférence pour votre famille restée au pays (I'd rather + présent).

Exercice 12 : Wish + would et agacement

Exprimez l'agacement avec I wish + would (ou wish + would stop + -ing).

1. My flatmate leaves dirty plates in the sink.
2. The government never listens to young people.
3. My phone keeps freezing.
4. People drop litter in the street.
5. Our manager doesn't give clear instructions.
6. The train always arrives late.

Exercice 13 : Le passé qui pèse sur le présent

Pour chaque situation, écrivez un regret avec I wish + past perfect, puis la conséquence avec une phrase conditionnelle mixte (If + past perfect, ... would + base verbale).

1. I didn't study law. I'm not a lawyer.
2. I didn't save any money. I can't afford a car now.
3. I didn't learn to swim as a child. I'm afraid of water today.
4. I moved to a big city. I feel lonely now.
5. I didn't listen to my doctor. I'm ill.

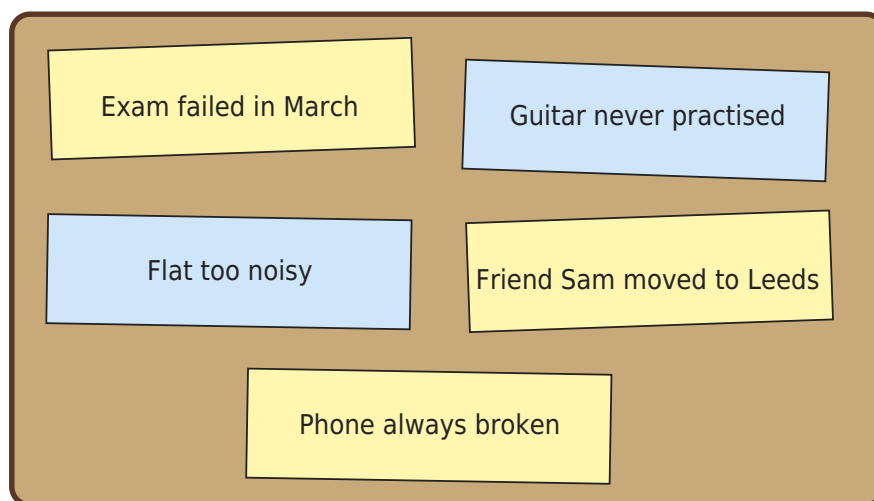
Exercice 14 : Les modaux au passé après wish

Réécrivez chaque phrase avec I wish (ou She wishes...) en utilisant could have + participe passé ou had been able to.

1. I couldn't attend the wedding.
2. He had to work on Sunday.
3. She couldn't stay longer at the party.
4. We weren't able to see the final.
5. I couldn't speak to the director.

Exercice 15 : Le tableau des regrets

Observez l'image. Le tableau contient cinq notes : Exam failed in March – Guitar never practised – Flat too noisy – Friend Sam moved to Leeds – Phone always broken. Écrivez un souhait ou un regret pour chaque note.



Le tableau des regrets.

Exercice 16 : Interview d'un ancien joueur

Complétez avec les verbes entre parenthèses à la forme qui convient.

1. I wish I (listen) ___ to my coach when I was twenty.

2. If only I (not / give up) ___ after my first injury!
3. I wish I (be) ___ still playing today.
4. I wish young players (understand) ___ how short a career is.
5. I wish the club (not / sell) ___ me in 2015.
6. If only people (stop) ___ asking me about that last match!

Exercice 17 : Wish ou regret ?

Réécrivez chaque phrase avec le verbe regret suivi de -ing (ou de to + base verbale quand c'est indiqué).

1. I wish I hadn't said that.
2. She wishes she hadn't sold the house.
3. I wish I had spent more time with my grandfather.
4. He wishes he hadn't lied to us.
5. We wish we had not left so early.
6. I'm sorry to tell you that the flight is cancelled. (regret to...)

Exercice 18 : Expliquez la différence

Observez l'image, puis expliquez en français la différence entre les deux phrases de chaque paire ou dites pourquoi la phrase est fausse.

Passé	Présent	Les autres
wish + had + p.p.	wish + prétérit	wish + would
I wish I had known.	I wish I were taller.	I wish you would stop.



Passé, présent, comportement.

1. I wish I would be taller.
2. I wish you were quiet. / I wish you would be quiet.
3. If only I knew. / If only I had known.
4. I wish I could go. / I wish I could have gone.

Exercice 19 : Une lettre à soi-même

Écrivez un paragraphe d'environ 80 mots : vous écrivez à vous-même à l'âge de 12 ans.

Exprimez au moins quatre regrets ou souhaits avec wish ou If only (présent, passé et comportement des autres).

Exercice 20 : Cinq souhaits pour la ville

Écrivez cinq souhaits pour votre ville ou votre lycée. Utilisez wish + would, wish + prétérit, wish + past perfect et If only.