

SELFSTUDY 1: Using *wish*.

Directions: Using the information in parentheses, complete the sentences.

1. (The sun isn't shining.) I wish the sun **were shining** right now.
2. (I wanted you to go.) I wish you **had gone** with us to the concert last night.
3. (John didn't drive.) I wish John _____ to work. I'd ask him for a ride home.
4. (I can't swim.) I wish I _____ so that I would feel safe in a boat.
5. (I want you to stop fighting.) I wish _____ fighting and try to work things out.
6. (I wanted to win.) I wish we _____ the game last night.
7. (Bill didn't get the promotion.) I wish Bill _____ the promotion. He feels bad.
8. (I quit my job.) I wish I _____ my job until I had found another one.
9. (It isn't winter.) I wish it _____ winter so that I could go skiing.
10. (I want Al to sing.) I wish Al _____ a couple of songs. He has a good voice.
11. (Diane can't bring her kids.) I wish Diane _____ her kids with her tomorrow. They would be good company for mine.
12. (No one offered to help.) I wish someone _____ to help us find our way when we got lost in the middle of the city.

SELFSTUDY 2: Using *wish*.

Directions: Complete the sentences with the words in parentheses.

1. Tom's in trouble with the professor. Now he wishes he (*miss, not*) _____ class three times this week.
2. A: It's raining. I wish it (*stop*) _____.
B: Me too. I wish the sun (*shine*) _____ so that we could go swimming.
3. A: Alice doesn't like her job as a nurse. She wishes she (*go, not*) _____ to nursing school.
B: Really? What does she wish she (*study*) _____ instead of nursing?
4. I wish I (*move, not*) _____ to this town. I can't seem to make any friends, and everything is so congested. I wish I (*take*) _____ the job I was offered in the small town near where I grew up.
5. I know I should quit smoking. I wish you (*stop*) _____ nagging me about it.
6. A: Did you get your car back from the garage?
B: Yes, and it still isn't fixed. I wish I (*pay, not*) _____ them in full when I picked up the car. I should have waited to be sure that everything was all right.
7. A: I wish you (*hurry*) _____! We're going to be late.
B: I wish you (*shut up*) _____. We've got plenty of time.
8. I wish you (*invite, not*) _____ the neighbors over for dinner when you talked to them this afternoon. I don't feel like cooking a big dinner.

9. A: I know that something's bothering you. I wish you (*tell*) _____ me what it is. Maybe I can help you.
B: I appreciate it, but I can't discuss it now.
10. A: My feet are killing me! I wish I (*wear*) _____ more comfortable shoes.
B: Yeah, me too. I wish I (*realize*) _____ that we were going to have to walk this much.
11. A: How do you like the new president of our association?
B: Not much. I wish he (*elect, not*) _____. I never should have voted for him.
A: Oh really? Then you probably wish I (*vote, not*) _____ for him. If you recall, he won by only one vote. You and I could have changed the outcome of the election if we had known then what we know now.
12. A: I wish we (*buy*) _____ everything we wanted all the time.
B: In that case, you probably wish money (*grow*) _____ on trees. We'd plant some in the back yard, and just go out and pick a little from the branches every morning.
13. A: My thirteen-year-old daughter wishes she (*be, not*) _____ so tall and wishes her hair (*be*) _____ black and straight.
B: Really? My daughter wishes she (*be*) _____ taller and that her hair (*be*) _____ blond and curly.
14. A: I wish most world leaders (*meet*) _____ in the near future and reach some agreement on environmental issues. I'm worried the earth is running out of time.
B: I wish I (*disagree*) _____ with you and (*prove*) _____ your fears groundless, but I'm afraid you might be right.

SELFSTUDY 3: Using *As if / as though*.

Directions: Complete the sentences with the information in parentheses.

1. Tim acts as if he _____ the boss. (Tim isn't the boss.)
2. This hole in my shirt looks as if it _____ by a bullet. (The hole wasn't made by a bullet.)
3. Barbara looked at me as though she _____ never _____ me before. (She has met me many times before.)
4. The treat their dog as if it _____ a child. (The dog isn't a child.)
5. She went right on talking as though she _____ a word I'd said. (She heard everything I said.)
6. You look so depressed. You look as if you _____ a friend in the world. (You have many friends.)
7. He looked right through me as if I _____. (I exist.)

8. Craig bumped the other car and then continued as though nothing _____.
(Something happened.)
9. A: Have Joe and Diane ever met?
B: I don't think so. Why?
A: He came in and started talking to her as if they _____ old friends.
(They aren't old friends.)
10. I can hear his voice so clearly that it's as if he _____ here in this room.
(He isn't here in this room. He's next door.)
11. It was so quiet that it seemed as if the earth _____. (The earth didn't stop.)
12. I turned, and there she was. It was as though she _____ out of nowhere. (She didn't appear out of nowhere.)