

Structures with Wish | Grammar Exercise

The verb 'wish' is used in several different structures. Wish + infinitive means want. Note that progressive forms are not used.

Wish can also be used to express regret that things are not different. It is also used to talk about unreal or impossible situations.

1. I wish I run faster.

can

could

Either could be used here

2. I wish you stay out of this.

should

would

will

3. I wish you keep the volume down.

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would

will

should

4. I wish I that offer.

don't accept

didn't accept

hadn't accepted

5. I wish I better looking.

was

were

Either could be used here

6. I wish I take a holiday.

would

could

Either could be used here

7. Don't you wish you fly?

can

would

could

8. I wish a table.

reserve

to reserve

seeing

9. Do you wish drinks on the terrace?

I to serve

me to serve

me serving

me serve

10. I an appointment with the manager.

wish

want

Either could be used here

11. I you feel better tomorrow.

hope

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wish

Either could be used here

12. Now I wish I to university.

went

go

had gone

Answers

1. I wish I could run faster.
2. I wish you would stay out of this.
3. I wish you would keep the volume down.
4. I wish I had not accepted that offer.
5. I wish I was / were better looking.
6. I wish I could take a holiday.
7. Don't you wish you could fly?
8. I wish to reserve a table.
9. Do you wish me to serve drinks on the terrace?
10. I want an appointment with the manager.
11. I hope you feel better tomorrow.
12. Now I wish I had gone to university.