

WISH + PAST SIMPLE

VS.

WISH + PAST PERFECT

[Exercise 3]

Complete with the verb in the Past Simple or Past Perfect.

Example:

I wish I _____ learning German when I was a child. **(start)**

Answer:

I wish I **had started** learning German when I was a child.

1. It is so cold outside! I wish it _____ a bit warmer to go for a walk. **(be)**
2. I feel so tired and sleepy. I wish I _____ to bed earlier last night. **(go)**
3. I don't seem to get this job. I wish I _____ more experience. **(have)**
4. This task is not so difficult but it needs special knowledge. I wish I _____ all the lectures and workshops when I was a student. **(attend)**
5. My father went abroad for work several years ago. I wish he _____ here now when I so desperately need his advice. **(be)**
6. My friend is offended. I wish I _____ such rude words to him. **(not say)**
7. We are out of petrol. I wish we _____ at that gas station. **(stop)**
8. I wish my friends _____ to see me tonight, but all of them are away on holidays. **(come)**
9. You don't know what it's like to be lonely. I wish you _____ me. **(understand)**

10. I don't feel well now. I wish I _____ so much pizza at lunch. **(not eat)**
11. My brother doesn't care about his studies. I wish he _____ more serious about that. **(be)**
12. My suitcase is too heavy. I wish I _____ so many clothes. **(not pack)**
13. I wish I _____ a brother or sister, but I'm an only child. **(have)**
14. I wish we _____ in the countryside. The air is so fresh there. **(live)**
15. My clothes are dirty now. I wish I _____ to repair my car on my own. **(not try)**

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ANSWERS

1. was.
2. had gone.
3. had.
4. had attended.
5. was.
6. hadn't said.
7. had stopped.
8. came.
9. understood.
10. hadn't eaten.
11. was.
12. hadn't packed.
13. had.
14. lived.
15. hadn't tried.