



GRAMMAR

I WISH & IF ONLY (Ojalá...)

WORKSHEET ANSWER KEY

1. Decide whether these statements express a wish or a regret.

- 1) I wish I could fly: **wish**
- 2) If only she had seen the doctor earlier. He could have saved her: **regret**
- 3) If only I travelled to New York: **wish**
- 4) I wish I were a doctor: **wish**

2. Fill in the gaps with the correct verb tense of the verbs in brackets.

- 1) Alice didn't get a good grade. She wishes she (work) **had worked** harder.
- 2) Tom likes football very much. He wishes he (become) **became** a professional football player.
- 3) He was running very fast when he had a heart attack. If only he (not/ run) **hadn't run** so fast.
- 4) She's keen on computers. She wishes she (study) **studied** computer science next school year.
- 5) I am sorry I don't know how to use the computer. If only I (know) **knew** how to use it.
- 6) I stayed late at work and missed the last bus. I wish I (not/ stay) **had not stayed** at work late.
- 7) I wish I (talk) **had talked** to him yesterday.
- 8) I need help badly. If only you (can) **could** help me.
- 9) My old car often breaks down. I wish I (buy) **bought** a new car.
- 10) He didn't pass the exam. If only he (work) **had worked** hard.
- 11) She was absent. I wish she (attend) **had attended** the conference.
- 12) What a beautiful house! I wish I (have) **had** a house like this one.
- 13) I wish I (be) **was/ were** rich. I would buy a farm and enjoy the calm of the countryside.
- 14) They had that bad accident because they were careless. If only they (be) **had been** more careful.
- 15) We saw the film. I wish you (see) **had seen** it with us. It was an amazing evening.