

# Structures

wishes about the past

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Examples:

I wish I had had more money when I was younger.

I wish I had studied harder at school.

I wish I had not had to spend so much money on dinner yesterday.

I wish I had saved more when I had a well-paid job..

I wish I had taken more photographs on holiday.

I wish my friend had not lost my book.

I wish my history teacher had been more interesting.

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Add adverbs / fillers:

I wish I had had more free time when I was at school.

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I wish I had had more free time when I was at school.



sometimes  
occasionally  
never  
always

really  
definitely



Wish about **PAST**: wish + past perfect tense verb

Add adverbs / fillers:

Honestly  
Actually  
Well

I wish I had had more free time when I was at school.

sometimes  
occasionally  
never  
always

really  
definitely

