

# 57 Future hopes

To talk about wishes for the future, usually when you want something to change, you use the past tense modals “would” and “could.”

⚙️ **New language** “Wish” with “would” or “could”

Aa **Vocabulary** Hopes for the future

🧩 **New skill** Talking about future hopes and wishes

## 57.1 KEY LANGUAGE “WISH” FOR FUTURE HOPES

Use “wish” with “could” to talk about hopes for yourself.

I **wish** I **could** move somewhere warm.

[I would like to be able to move somewhere warmer.]



Use “wish” with “would” when someone else is doing something you don’t like and you want them to change.

She **wishes** her teacher **would** give her less work.

[She wants her teacher to give out less homework in future.]



## 57.2 FURTHER EXAMPLES “WISH” FOR FUTURE HOPES



I **wish** I **could** get a new job in a different department.



I **wish** I **could** go to the concert with my friends this evening.



Colin is always talking about cars. I **wish** he **would** stop.



I **wish** they **wouldn't** make it so hard to buy tickets online.





### 57.3 REWRITE THE SENTENCES, CORRECTING THE ERRORS

This homework is so boring! I wish I would do something else.

This homework is so boring! I wish I could do something else.

1 That college seems really great. I could wish I go there.

2 We can't change their development plans, but we wish we can.

3 Sarah wishes her husband would to buy her flowers more often.

4 My favorite band is coming to our city. I wish can go!



### 57.4 FILL IN THE GAPS USING "COULD," "WOULD," OR "WOULDN'T"



The safari I want to go on lasts four weeks. I wish I could get more time off work.



1 I wish you \_\_\_\_\_ criticize my clothes. I think I look fabulous!



2 My neighbor plays the trumpet all the time. I wish he \_\_\_\_\_ be a little quieter.



3 Mike's car always breaks down. He wishes he \_\_\_\_\_ afford a new one.



4 We work far too hard. I wish we \_\_\_\_\_ do this more often!



### 57 CHECKLIST



"Wish" with "would" or "could" ☐

Aa Hopes for the future ☐



Talking about future hopes and wishes ☐