



# 2<sup>nd</sup> semester



# Topic 61:

## Grammar: “Wish”

**Wish** + (that) + past simple:

We can use “**wish**” to talk about something that we would like to be different in the present or the future. It's used for things which are impossible or very unlikely.

For example:

I **wish** that I had a big house.

(I don't have a big house, but it's a nice idea!)

## Answer the question

- What is the difference between 'wish' and 'if'?
- Compare:
  1. *It would be good **if** we **had** a bigger car.*  
*I **wish** we **had** a bigger car.*
  2. *It would be good **if** I **knew** how to use this DVD player.*  
*I **wish** I **knew** how to use this DVD player.*

# Complete the story using the correct form of the verbs in brackets

- While trying to sail round the world in a small boat, Harry, Sandy and Joe were shipwrecked one night. 'I wish there \_\_\_\_ **(be)** an island nearby,' Harry said.  
By morning, they were washed up on to a desert island. For six months they lived on fish, nuts and fruit. One day, they saw a bottle on the shore. 'If only it \_\_\_\_ **(contain)** a note or something!' Sandy said. They opened it and a genie appeared. 'It's high time someone \_\_\_\_ **(open)** that bottle!' the genie gasped. 'I'm so grateful, I'll give you one wish each. You first,' the genie said, pointing to Harry. 'That's easy,' Harry said. 'I wish I \_\_\_\_ **(be)** with my family.' And (whoosh!) he disappeared. 'Me too,' Sandy said. 'If only I \_\_\_\_ **(can)** be in dear old Glasgow.' And (whoosh!) off he went. 'And you, sir?' the genie asked Joe. 'I wish I \_\_\_\_ **(have)** my friends back!' Joe said.



# Make up sentences using following verbs:

- divide
- answer
- reflect
- snow
- applaud
- flood
- shiver
- develop
- untidy
- shrug
- charge
- compare
- trap
- compete
- decorate
- arrest
- satisfy
- explain
- travel
- peck
- obey
- waffle