

Hey you guys! What's up?

Today we are learning the situations in which we use the word WISH.

I'm sure you've heard it and even used it. But do you know all the structures and grammar rules concerning it? Let's check:

Examples	Meaning	Structure
<i>Make a wish!</i>	"desire"	Used as a noun .
<i>I wish you a happy birthday!</i>	You are saying you want the person to have happiness on their birthday.	It is a common verb and can be used in the Simple Present or Simple Past .
<i>I wish I had a dog.</i>	- You don't have a dog but you want one.	WISH + SUBJECT + SIMPLE PAST to express you wanted things to be different. (In this structure, when using the <i>verb to be</i> , the form used is " were " for all the pronouns, including <i>I, he, she</i> and <i>it</i> . It is the standard grammar rule but it is possible to say <i>I wish I was</i>)
<i>I wish I were rich.</i>	- You are not rich and you want to be rich.	
<i>I wish you were here.</i>	- The person is not here and you miss them.	
<i>I wish I had brought an umbrella.</i>	- You didn't bring an umbrella and now it's raining so you regret.	WISH + SUBJECT + HAD + PARTICIPLE (3rd column) to express regret or sorrow.
<i>I wish you had come with me.</i>	- The person didn't come with you and you tell them that it would be nice if they had.	

Tá, e agora?

Did you find it difficult? If you try to translate, it sounds terrible! Portuguese has different structures and tenses to express these ideas. So DON'T TRANSLATE! Check the meaning, look for this word in use, talk to people and PRACTICE!