

Unit 3 Lesson 8 - I wish I had worked harder.



Complete the sentence using the past perfect tense.

- 1. Vince \_\_\_\_\_ (work) as an assistant before he graduated college.
- 2. They \_\_\_\_\_ (stay) inside the shop for 6 hours until the rain stopped.
- 3. We \_\_\_\_\_ (not sleep) properly for 3 days when the typhoon hit the city.
- 4. My internet \_\_\_\_\_ (slow) down when I was in an online meeting yesterday.
- 5. I just \_\_\_\_\_ (buy) the novel when I saw another cheaper copy on the internet.





Introduce today's sentences.

### **Grammar Focus**

- Past Perfect Tense (3): Indirect Reported Speech
- Past Perfect Tense (4): Unreal/ Imaginary Things



## **Key Expressions**

- He said that he had checked the report you submitted.
- I wish I had worked harder.

# **Word Focus**



## Listen to the teacher and repeat.



compensate



disappointed



cheer up



clever



cooperation

## Conversation



Miku: Good afternoon, Bo. What brings you into my office?

Bo: I just had a call with Mr. Tanaka this morning. He said that he had checked the report you submitted to him last night and we would have a meeting regarding last month's sales.

**Miku:** What about it? Is there something wrong?

Bo: He compared the number of sales per month we had this year and said that last month did not reach its target sales. We will probably have more work to do this month to compensate.

**Miku:** Is that right? I wish I had worked harder, but it can't be helped if no one is interested in buying our products.

**Bo:** Don't feel so disappointed. Cheer up. I'm sure Mr. Tanaka had already worked out a solution to the problem.

**Miku:** You are right. He is one of the cleverest people I know. Let's give the boss our full cooperation to fix this issue.



### Learn the other uses of the Past Perfect.

# **Usage 3**

to repeat what someone said using a reported speech.

Mr. Daisuke: I checked the report you submitted.

Mr. Daisuke **said** (that) **he had checked** the report you submitted.

**Keshi:** I slept at my friend's place last weekend.

Keshi said (that) he had slept at his friend's place last weekend.

Paul: Did Lucas bring anything to eat?

Paul **asked** if Lucas **had brought** anything to eat.

- After "said", you may or may not use the word "that".
- With "asked", we use "if" before the noun or pronoun.

### Grammar

### **Indirect Reported Speech**

 We can repeat someone's statement by going one step back in the past.

"I travel a lot."

She said that she travelled a lot.

"I travelled a lot."

She said that she had travelled a lot.

### Grammar



Learn the grammar structures.

- In indirect reported speech, we can repeat someone's
- statement by going one step back in the past.

**Simple Present** 

**Present Continuous** 

**Past Continuous** 



**Simple Past** 

**Past Continuous** 

**Past Perfect Continuous** 

**Simple Past** 

**Present Perfect** 

**Past Perfect** 



**Past Perfect** 



### Learn the other uses of the Past Perfect.

# **Usage 4**

for unreal or imaginary things; wishes the past had been different

## I wish + noun/pronoun + had

A preposition/conjunction followed by a clause can be used to be specific.

I wish I had studied harder before I graduated.

Use "instead of" to express a more preferred action or event over what really happened.

I wish I had studied harder instead of playing games.

The **preposition/conjunction** and the **clause** that follows can also be omitted.

I wish I had studied harder. before I graduated.

The **result** may be added in the next sentence.

I wish I had not eaten too much. Now my stomach feels bad.

## **Activity**



### Match the sentences in A with the sentences in B.



- 1. I spent so much time watching TV last night and now I feel so sleepy.
- 2. I shouldn't have left my hometown. I miss my best friend.
- 3. Bart was such a bright kid back then, but now he's in prison.
- 4. My mom and I had an argument two days ago and my sister said she cried that night.
- 5. Wait, so the meeting schedule has been changed?

B

- a. I wish she had lived in the same town as me.
- b. I wish I had not said those hurtful words.
- c. I wish I had gone to bed early last night.
- d. I wish you had told me that sooner!
- e. I wish he had made better decisions in his life.

## **Activity**



Change the sentences into an indirect reported speech.

- 1. Jerry: I called the police as soon as I heard strange noises in my garage.
- 2. Chris: Nelson washed my car before he returned it to me yesterday.
- 3. Claire: Did somebody take the bag I left in the music room?
- 4. Ellen: I have done nothing but listened to music all night last night.

# **Activity**

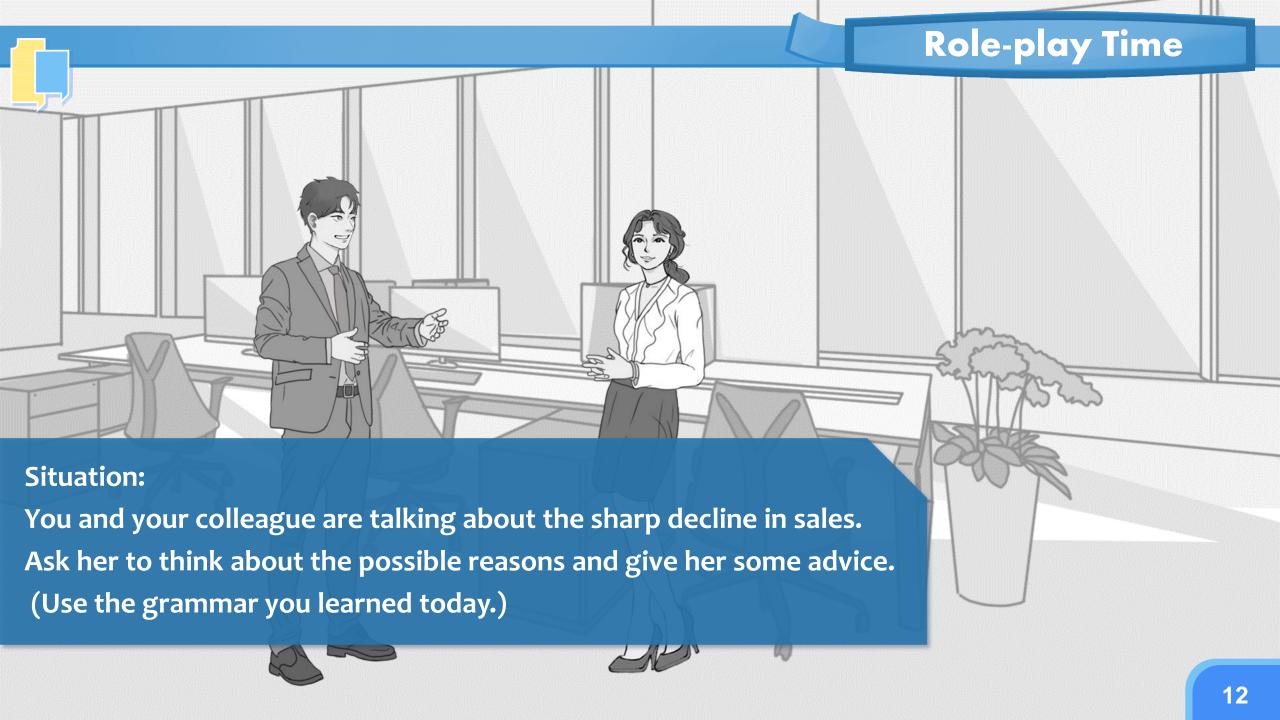


Spot the error and rewrite the sentence.

### I wish I had cooks dinner.

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- 1. I wish we had build a huge mansion.
- 2. I wish they has made the right decision.
- 3. I wish I had buy vegetables yesterday.
- 4. Kin asked if you receiving the email he sent.
- 5. Kat asked if I liked the present she give me.
- 6. Chloe said she had cleans the mess before she go out.



## Summary





#### **Word Focus**

compensate disappointed cheer up clever cooperation

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