

High-Intermediate 3  
**Unit 10 Grammar**  
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**hope vs. wish**

I **hope** that you **can** pass the final exam. => **a real condition**  
=> I believe it is possible for my students to pass.

I **wish** that you **could** pass the final exam. => **an unreal condition**  
=> I believe it is not possible for my students to pass.

**Wish + The Verb to Be**

I wish (that) I was at home now. => **temporarily impossible**  
=> a student in a class

I wish (that) I were at home now. => **absolutely impossible**  
=> a prisoner sentenced to life imprisonment

**as though / as if** = انگار، گویا

**Situations at the Present Time:**

The math teacher has written a difficult problem on the board.

Tom behaves **as if he knows** the answer. => We believe he really knows the answer.

Jack behaves **as if he knew** the answer. => We believe he doesn't know the answer. He is just pretending that he knows it.

It sounds **as though you have** a scar on your face. => We believe you really have scar on your face.

It sounds **as though you had** a scar on your face. => We believe you don't really have a scar on your face. It just seems that you have one.

**Situations in the Past:**

Yesterday the math teacher had written a difficult problem on the board.

Tom behaved **as if he knew** the answer. => He really knew the answer.

Jack behaved **as if he had known** the answer. => He didn't know the answer. He was just pretending that he knew it.

He behaved **as though nothing happened**. => Nothing had really happened.

He behaved **as though nothing had happened**. => Something had happened. He was pretending that nothing had happened.