Unit 12 Workbook Answers:

Practice 1:

1. I wish my friend weren’t so cheap so we could go to more interesting places! (present)
2. I wish the train operators were able to drive the trains better. (present)
3. I wish my children would play fewer video games (future).
4. I wish my boss would give me more time off (future).

Practice 3:

1. I had an awful experience. Last week I left my air conditioner on all night and caught a cold. Now I am sick.
2. Oh no! That is unfortunate.
3. I wish I had turned the machine off before I went to bed!

Practice 4:

1. knew
2. were
3. had moved
4. had

Practice 5:

1. had won
2. would start
3. had thought
4. would do
5. would do
6. would double
7. had paid

Practice 7:

1. en-VI-ron-ment class
2. EYE-opener. AIR pollution, WATER pollution, pop-u LA-tion growth, SPEcies extinction
3. GREENhouse effect, global TEM-per-ture
4. SEA levels
5. COASTal FLOODing, severe HUR-ricanes, devastating DROUGHTs
6. global TEM-per-ture, ICE age
7. wishful THINKing, top pri-OR-ity
8. international com-MUN-nity, environmental LAWS, DAM-age control

Practice 8:

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Dear President Obama,

I am writing to you to complain about the air pollution in the United States. I am worried that if something is not done, our environment will be ruined by too much pollution.

I have several reasons why I think steps should be taken to improve the air pollution in the United States. To begin, I work outside everyday playing baseball, and like many other people who work outside, it is harmful to my heath if the air quality is not good. Many children also play outside and walk to school, so it would also benefit our future if you did something about the air. Second, the poor air quality is killing birds. The national bird association has made a statement that 10,000 birds die every year due to the air quality. This is unacceptable and destroying the environment.

In conclusion, please do something about the air quality in the United States. It would benefit not only our environment, but also the future of our population.

Sincerely,

*Derek Jeter*

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**Check Your Knowledge:**

Vocabulary Check

1. disposal
2. voluntary
3. regulations
4. weapons
5. extinction
6. benefit

Check Your Understanding:

A.

1. Wishes for past changes:
   1. I wish I had been a better student and had studied harder in school.
   2. I wish I had saved more money when I was younger
2. Wishes for present change:
   1. I wish I were able to fly so I wouldn’t have to take public transportation.
   2. I wish I could study in the CEP Friday, Saturday, and Sunday too!
3. Wishes for future improvements:
   1. I wish New York would clean the subways.
   2. I wish I could take a trip to California and enjoy the beaches!

B.

1. I wish my boss were able to give me more time off.
2. I wish I could be paid more.