

Three Wishes 三个愿望

If you had three wishes, what would they be?

Some people in London said:

"I suppose it would be in the area of world peace, that sort of thing."

"Well, world peace. World peace. World peace is the most important. Yes. "

"Erm... visit of many towns in the world, and er, that's it."

"Probably for a happy family life, not to work so hard and to have more of a family life with the children."

"Health, happiness and love."

"Have an Aston Martin."

An Aston Martin car! Wow. Okay well I hope you get your Aston Martin car. Thank you.

Did you know...?

Fact

In Northumberland, England, around 16,000 coins were found in an ancient Roman wishing well, dedicated to the goddess Coventina.

Language tip

Say 'I wish I could' not 'I wish I can'.

Cultural tip

In Britain the Middle-Eastern story of Aladdin and the genie who grants three wishes is so popular, that it's now part of traditional Christmas plays called 'pantos'.

Here is the webpage for this programme:

http://www.bbc.co.uk/ukchina/simp/elt/ask_about_britain/110124_ee_3wishes_story.shtml