1 Complete each sentence (1–6) with an ending (a–f).

1 I didn't light a fire because .....c.....
2 I didn't do my homework because .....
3 I didn't use the computer because .....
4 I didn't do the shopping because .....
5 I didn't go to the doctor's because .....
6 I didn't go to the party because .....

a) I couldn't make an appointment.
b) I couldn't understand the instructions.
c) I couldn't find the matches.
d) I couldn't remember the exercise.
e) I couldn't get ready in time.
f) I couldn't go to the supermarket.

2 Write what you *had to do* or didn't *have to do* yesterday.

1 clean the house ..... I didn't have to clean the house. .....
2 cook the dinner .....
3 do lots of homework .....
4 go shopping .....
5 go to school .....
6 find information on the Internet .....

3 Rewrite each sentence using *could/couldn't* or *had to/didn't have to*. Do not change the meaning.

1 It was impossible for Sarah to get home before 7.00.
Sarah ..... couldn't get home before 7.00. .....
2 It was necessary for Paul to leave at 6.00 to catch his plane.
Paul .....
3 It was impossible for us to believe our luck!
We .....
4 It wasn't necessary for Mike to wait long for the bus.
Mike .....
5 Ann's friend knew how to speak five languages.
Ann's friend .....
6 Sorry I didn't phone, but it was impossible to find your number.
Sorry I didn't phone, but I .....

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