

5b Complete this text from the webpage with the words in the box.

had to did not have to could could not



After the operation

By 1985, Stephen's speech was getting worse, and only a few people who knew him well ¹ _____ understand him. But at least he ² _____ communicate. In 1985, he ³ _____ have an operation on his throat. After that, he ⁴ _____ have 24-hour care by nurses. For a time after the operation he ⁵ _____ speak at all. The only way he ⁶ _____ communicate was by spelling words. He ⁷ _____ raise his eyebrows when someone pointed to the right letter on a spelling card. However, a computer expert in California (Walt Wotosz) heard of Hawking's problem and sent him a computer program. With this program, Hawking ⁸ _____ choose words from a menu on a screen. All he ⁹ _____ do was press a switch in his hand. But he ¹⁰ _____ also control the program by making a head or eye movement. In that case, he ¹¹ _____ press the switch. At first he ¹² _____ run the program on a desktop computer, but then a man called David Mason fitted a small portable computer to his wheelchair.



His second marriage to Elaine Mason