

5.2. ABILITY IN THE PAST

1 Choose the correct option to complete the sentences.

- 1 I got up really late, but I still **could** / **managed to** get to school on time.
- 2 **Did you manage to** / **Could you** buy a birthday card for Dad yesterday?
- 3 When Jack was three, he **wasn't able to** / **didn't manage to** ride a bike.
- 4 **Were you able to** / **Did you manage to** play the piano when you were at primary school?
- 5 After the skiing accident, Eva **didn't manage to** / **couldn't** play tennis any more.

2 Complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first.

Use the word in CAPITALS and do not change its form. Wykorzystaj podane wyrazy zapisane wielkimi literami. Nie zmieniaj ich formy.

- 1 My brother was able to play tennis when he was three.
My brother _____ tennis when he was three. **COULD**
- 2 I'm sorry, but I wasn't able to book tickets for the concert.
I'm sorry, but I _____ tickets for the concert. **MANAGE**
- 3 Could you swim when you were four?
_____ when you were four? **ABLE**
- 4 We couldn't go to the festival last year.
We _____ to the festival last year. **WEREN'T**
- 5 There was so much food that they couldn't finish it.
There was so much food that they _____ it. **DIDN'T**