

CAN . VS. COULD

1. Read the text and say if the sentences are true or false.

When I was a baby I couldn't speak, but now I can speak my language and English! When I was smaller I could sleep all day, but now I can't: I have to go to school! Now I can watch television and understand what it's saying, but when I was younger that was impossible – I couldn't understand very much!

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| a. When he was a baby he couldn't speak. | TRUE | FALSE |
| b. Now he can speak 5 languages. | TRUE | FALSE |
| c. Now he can sleep all day. | TRUE | FALSE |
| d. When he was younger he couldn't understand very much on tv. | TRUE | FALSE |
| e. Now he can't understand what the television is saying. | TRUE | FALSE |

2. Put the words in the correct order.

- a. swim was + + five when could

When I was five I could swim. or I could swim when I was five.

- b. was play I when chess six could I

- c. I six when couldn't I was read

- d. when speak were you five could you English

- e. two when sister could was my she walk

- f. could my was ten when brother he judo do
