

Practice activities

Exercise 1:

Match the sentences on the left to the appropriate ones on the right.

1.	My girlfriend left me.	a.	I shouldn't have gone to bed so late last night.
2.	She won't be able to finish her dinner.	b.	I should have prepared more thoroughly.
3.	This movie is really boring.	c.	I should have put on thicker socks.
4.	I think that dress looks awful on her.	d.	She should have chosen a different colour.
5.	This food is burnt.	e.	I should have been nicer to her.
6.	My feet are freezing!	f.	We should have chosen a romantic one.
7.	I was really late for work today.	g.	She shouldn't have ordered so much.
8.	The interview didn't go too well.	h.	You shouldn't have left it in the oven so long.

Exercise 2:

Read the sentence and choose the one option a-d which best fits the space.

- I've got a terrible headache. I ... all that beer.
 - shouldn't have drank
 - should've drink
 - should've drunk
 - shouldn't have drunk
- I went to work yesterday, even though I felt ill. Today I feel even worse. I ...
 - shouldn't have stayed at home
 - shouldn't have gone to work
 - should have stayed at home
 - should have gone to work
- My kids are so spoilt. I should have ... with them.
 - been stricter
 - stricted
 - being stricter
 - been stricting
- You didn't believe me, but I was telling the truth. You should ... me.
 - believed
 - have believed
 - have believe
 - have believing
- Mary only married Doug for his money. Now he thinks his friends ...
 - should have warned him about her.
 - shouldn't have warned him about her.
 - should have warned her about him.
 - shouldn't have warned her about him.
- He wasn't wearing his seatbelt, so he was injured in the crash. He should have ... it.
 - wore
 - wearing
 - worn
 - wored