Listening 5

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Warm Up



Listening to contractions

When people speak, they don't say cannot or could not. They say can't and couldn't. Make sure you can hear the difference between them.

Listen. Put a tick (✓) or a cross (✗) in the box.

✓ = could / can ✗ = couldn't / can't

Write the answers while you are listening. Don't wait for the beep.

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Practice 1

Aunt Mandy is reading a story to Lucy.

Listen to the story. Choose the best answer by blackening ● the circle.

1 Why <u>couldn't</u> Helen and Ricky do things by themselves?

○ A. They were too young.
○ B. Their servants helped them.
○ C. Their parents helped them.
○ D. Their house was too big.

2 What <u>couldn't</u> Helen do by herself? (You can choose more than one answer.)



○ A. ○ B. ○ C. ○ D.

3 Why <u>didn't</u> they have servants anymore?

○ A. All their servants ran away.
○ B. Helen's father took their money.
○ C. They had no money.
○ D. They didn't like the servants.

4 How did Helen feel?

What did Helen say to her mum?

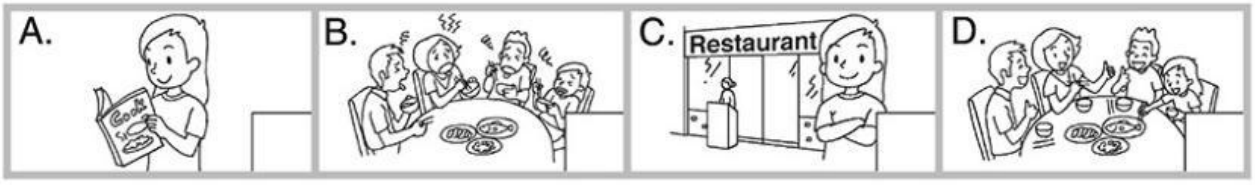


○ A. ○ B. ○ C. ○ D.

5 What did Helen promise to do? (You can choose more than one answer.)

○ A. wash her hair by herself
○ B. comb her hair by herself
○ C. help with the housework
○ D. cut her hair

6 Number the correct order of events. Write the number (1–4) in the correct picture.



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