UNIT 12: ROBOTS

D. VERB FORMS

I. Complete these sentences with "*could, couldn't*" or "*was, were able to*".

1. A girl fell into the river but fortunately we _____ rescue her.

2. I _____ walk when I was less than a year old.

3. My grandfather _____ walk without any help last night.

4. _____ you understand what he was saying?

5. My grandmother _____ speak Spanish.

6. Suddenly all the lights went out. We _____ see a thing.

7. The computer went wrong, but luckily Emma _____ put it right again.

8. There was a big party last night. You _____ hear the music half a mile away.

9. I learnt to read sheet music as a child. I _____ read it when I was five.

10. People heard warnings about the food, and they _____ move out in time.

11. She wasn't at home when I phoned but I _____ contact her at her office.

12. Mrs Carter _____ put out the fire before the house burnt down.

13. I looked everywhere for the books, but _____ find it.

14. The plane _____ take off at eleven o'clock, after the fog had lifted.

15. Jack was an excellent tennis player. He _____ beat anybody.

16. The car fell into the river. The worker _____ get it out but the driver was dead.

17. I knew the town so I _____ advise him where to go.

18. Despite the arrival of the storm, they _____ finish the football match.

19. After his car crashes, he was so confused that he ._____ tell the police who he was or where he was going.

20. I haven't _____ concentrate recently on work. I don't know what it is.

II. Complete the sentences, using "couldn't" and the verbs in the box.

find	*finish*	*go*	*hear*
listen	*play*	*sleep*	*understand*

1. My dad _____to work because he was ill.

2. John _____ his pen. It wasn't in his school bag.

3. Mary wasn't hungry - she _____her lunch.

4. I _____Jane because I don't speak German.

5. We _____ the teacher because the students were very noisy.

6. Tom _____to music because his CD player was broken.

7. I was very tired but I _____.

8. We _____ tennis because the weather was bad.

III. Complete the first conditional sentences.

1. If we stay at home, we (**miss**)_____the show.

2. We (**ask**)_____ about it, if you want.

3. If he (**want**)_____ it, we'll buy it.

4. If it (**not/ work**)_____, we'll take it back.

5. They (**not/ go**)_____ on holiday this year, if their friends come to see them.

6. You will be tired tomorrow if you (**not/ go**)_____ to bed early.

7. The boys (**wear**)_____ their new T-shirts tomorrow if it is sunny?

8. The cake (**burn**)_____ if he doesn't turn off the oven.

9. We won't go to the beach tomorrow if it (**rain**)_____.

10. Will you walk to school if the bus (**not/ come**)_____ soon?

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LIVEWORKSHEETS

IV. Put the verbs in brackets into the correct tense or form.

1. If we _____ (**not stop**) cutting down so many trees, we'll endanger our oxygen supply.

2. Last year Mr. Johnson _____ (**teach**) us Robotics.

3. My sister is really busy – she _____ (**study**) for the exam.

4. In the future, robots _____ (**do**) things that people can't do or don't want to do.

5. Mark ____ (**be**) to Sa Pa twice. The first time ___ (**be**) more than ten years ago.

6. How often _____ (**you/ do**) household chores? ~ Every day.

7. Twenty years ago, most people around the world _____ (**not know**) what the Internet was.

8. If we dump all sorts of chemicals into rivers, we _____ (**not be able to**) swim in them in the future.