

1 Complete the conversation with *could* or *couldn't* and the verbs in the box.

communicate dance make play remember ride sing (x2)

Ben: Do you remember how we used to spend all day outside when we were young?

Jack: Yeah, we ¹ _____ in the garden for hours and not get bored. What happened to us?!

Ben: We got old! Remember when we were ten and we ² _____ in our own language?

Jack: Yes, I don't know how we did it! And we wore the same clothes, so mum ³ _____ which one was you, and which one was me! I love having a twin brother!

Ben: That was really fun! Now it's easy, because we wear different clothes.

Jack: There was also that summer when I ⁴ _____ a bike and you could. I was really angry with you!

Ben: Yeah, you were! But I ⁵ _____ always _____ you laugh.

Jack: That's true. You were funny! You still are.

Ben: I remember that you ⁶ _____ really beautifully. I always wanted to sing like you, but my voice was horrible.

Jack: No, you ⁷ _____, but you ⁸ _____ – you were great at that!

Ben: Yeah, I was quite good then. But not now!

2 Work in pairs and practise the conversation in Exercise 1.

3 Was your childhood similar to Ben and Jack's? Why/Why not?