

# COULD/COULD NOT

## TALKING ABOUT OUR PAST

Instructions: Complete with the modal verbs: could and could not.

• WHEN I WAS YOUNG, I

\_\_\_\_\_ (COULD) CLIMB  
TREES EASILY.

• SHE \_\_\_\_\_ (COULD)  
SING BEAUTIFULLY WHEN SHE WAS A  
CHILD.

• THEY \_\_\_\_\_ (COULD)  
VISIT THE MUSEUM WHEN IT WAS  
FREE ON SUNDAYS.  
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• LAST SUMMER, WE \_\_\_\_\_  
(COULD) TRAVEL TO MANY PLACES  
BECAUSE WE HAD TIME.

• HE \_\_\_\_\_ (COULD) SOLVE THE  
PUZZLE QUICKLY WHEN HE WAS  
FOCUSED.  
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• I \_\_\_\_\_ (COULD) ATTEND  
THE PARTY BECAUSE I WAS SICK.

• THEY \_\_\_\_\_ (COULD) FIND  
THE RESTAURANT BECAUSE IT WAS NOT  
ON THE MAP.

• SHE \_\_\_\_\_ (COULD) FINISH HER  
HOMEWORK WHEN SHE WAS TIRED.  
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• WE \_\_\_\_\_ (COULD) GO HIKING  
LAST WEEKEND BECAUSE THE  
WEATHER WAS BAD.

• HE \_\_\_\_\_ (COULD) PLAY  
SOCCER WHEN HE WAS INJURED.  
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