

A Complete the conversations with past modal verbs. Use the words given.

1. Rita My uncle gave me this painting last year. It's not really my taste.
Leah Hmm. Well, you *could have taken* (could / take) it back to the store.
Rita I _____ (could not / do) that. He painted it himself.
And anyway, I _____ (would not / want) to upset him.
He's such a nice guy.
Leah Well, I guess the only thing you _____ (could / do) was
smile and say thank you.
Rita That's exactly what I did. I _____ (would not / say) anything
else. Though I guess I _____ (should / sound) a little more
enthusiastic.
2. Luz You know, I was upset that Cora didn't come to my party last month.
Jon Yeah, I think I _____ (would / be) upset, too.
Luz I was, but I guess I _____ (should / call) her to see if she
was coming.
Jon Maybe. But she still _____ (could / contact) you. Although
maybe she was sick and couldn't call.
Luz Yeah, I didn't think about that. But she _____ (should / get) her
mother to call and tell me. That's what I _____ (would / do).
Jon Yeah, but you never know. Why don't you call and find out what happened?

