

5.2. ABILITY IN THE PAST

1 Choose the correct option to complete the sentences.

- 1 I got up really late, but I still **could** / **managed to** get to school on time.
- 2 **Did you manage to** / **Could you** buy a birthday card for Dad yesterday?
- 3 When Jack was three, he **wasn't able to** / **didn't manage to** ride a bike.
- 4 **Were you able to** / **Did you manage to** play the piano when you were at primary school?
- 5 After the skiing accident, Eva **didn't manage to** / **couldn't** play tennis any more.

2 Complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first.

Use the word in **CAPITALS** and do not change its form. Wykorzystaj podane wyrazy zapisane wielkimi literami. Nie zmieniaj ich formy.

- 1 My brother was able to play tennis when he was three.
My brother _____ tennis when he was three. **COULD**
- 2 I'm sorry, but I wasn't able to book tickets for the concert.
I'm sorry, but I _____ tickets for the concert. **MANAGE**
- 3 Could you swim when you were four?
_____ when you were four? **ABLE**
- 4 We couldn't go to the festival last year.
We _____ to the festival last year. **WEREN'T**
- 5 There was so much food that they couldn't finish it.
There was so much food that they _____ it. **DIDN'T**