

UNIT 5 - CAN / CAN'T / COULD / COULDN'T

EXERCISE 1 - Choose the correct option

1. When I was seven, I (**can** / **could**) read very well.
 2. She (**can't** / **couldn't**) ride a bike when she was five.
 3. We (**can** / **couldn't**) speak English now.
 4. My grandpa (**can't** / **couldn't**) use a smartphone when he was young.
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EXERCISE 2 - Choose the correct option

5. I _____ speak French now, but I could when I lived in Paris.

can can't could couldn't

6. _____ you swim when you were six?

can can't could couldn't

7. She _____ come to the party yesterday because she was ill.

can can't could couldn't

8. We _____ buy food here; this shop is closed.

can can't could couldn't

9. My brother _____ play the guitar very well now.

can can't could couldn't

10. _____ you use the computer when you were ten?

can can't could couldn't

11. I'm sorry, I _____ help you yesterday.

can can't could couldn't

12. Students _____ eat in the classroom.

can can't could couldn't

EXERCISE 3 - Put the words in order

1. could / young / I / when / swim

2. now / can't / he / Spanish / speak

3. play / could / the piano / she / ten / when / was

4. we / here / eat / can't

EXERCISE 4 - Correct the mistakes

1. She can ride a bike very well when she was six.

2. We couldn't go out now; it's too late.

3. I can read when I was four years old.

4. They could use their phones in class now.

5. He can play the piano when he was ten.

6. We could watch TV now; our parents say no.

7. She can't swim when she was a child.

8. I couldn't understand the teacher now.

EXERCISE 5 - Make sentences using the prompts

1. (I / play the piano / when I was 8)

2. (we / use mobiles / in class)

3. (my sister / swim / when she was five)

4. (I / speak / English now)
