

Can - be able to: exercise 2

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Exercise 2

Complete the sentences with one of the options to express present and past ability or possibility.

..... find a job when you lived in Spain?

- Could you
 - Were you able to
-

The shop is closed. We go there on Sunday.

- can't
 - aren't able to
-

Ann feels much better. She go out tomorrow, I hope.

- can
 - will be able to
-

The police catch the burglar because he'd set off the alarm.

- could
 - were able to
-

I am sorry for my English. I speak without mistakes.

- could never
 - have never been able to
-

Can you remember Jane? You see her at Brian's party last Saturday.

- could
 - were able to
-

Are you free tomorrow night? meet at Mario's pizzeria?

- Can we
 - Are we able to
-

Mum is ill. I'm afraid she cook at the weekend.

- can't
 - won't be able to
-

Fortunately, I can speak Spanish a little bit. I give them directions.

- could
 - was able to
-

Peter had nothing to do yesterday morning. He cut the grass before it started to rain.

- could
 - was able to
-

See Key with answers on the next page.

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Key with answers

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Were you able to find a job when you lived in Spain?

The shop is closed. We can't go there on Sunday.

Ann feels much better. She will be able to go out tomorrow, I hope.

The police were able to catch the burglar because he'd set off the alarm.

I am sorry for my English. I have never been able to speak without mistakes.

Can you remember Jane? You could see her at Brian's party last Saturday.

Are you free tomorrow night? Can we meet at Mario's pizzeria?

Mum is ill. I'm afraid she won't be able to cook at the weekend.

Fortunately, I can speak Spanish a little bit. I was able to give them directions.

Peter had nothing to do yesterday morning. He could cut the grass before it started to rain.

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