

Conditional would/could/should have

Exercise 2. Complete the dialogue with would have, could have, should have and the verbs in brackets. _____

Disaster at the Disco

Bryan: When I saw Susan with the other guy, I went away.

Janet: It's a pity. You should _____, I think. (stay)

Bryan: They didn't see me, you know. Wouldn't you _____ the place immediately? (leave)

Janet: I would _____ to talk to Susan if I had been there. (try) I wouldn't _____ away. (go)

Bryan: You're right. I could _____ her after the dance, but I didn't. (ask) I regret it now.

Janet: Yes, you should _____ it. (do) She could _____ you what was going on. (tell)

Bryan: You're right. She could _____ it at the disco. (explain) But it was a bit of a shock to see her with him. Imagine that you were at a disco and you could see your boyfriend dancing with a girl. Wouldn't you _____ shocked in such a situation? (be)

Janet: I could _____ my temper. (lose) But I wouldn't _____ them alone. (leave)

Bryan: It's a pity you didn't go to the disco with me. It could _____ funny. (be)

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Answer key

Disaster at the Disco

Bryan: When I saw Susan with the other guy, I went away.

Janet: It's a pity. You should have stayed, I think.

Bryan: They didn't see me, you know. Wouldn't you have left the place immediately?

Janet: I would have tried to talk to Susan if I had been there. I wouldn't have gone away.

Bryan: You're right. I could have asked her after the dance, but I didn't. I regret it now.

Janet: Yes, you should have done it. She could have told you what was going on.

Bryan: You're right. She could have explained it at the disco. But it was a bit of a shock to see her with him. Imagine that you were at a disco and you could see your boyfriend dancing with a girl. Wouldn't you have been shocked in such a situation?

Janet: I could have lost my temper. But I wouldn't have left them alone.

Bryan: It's a pity you didn't go to the disco with me. It could have been funny.