

Past Simple (Had - Could)

3 Complete sentences using “could” or “couldn’t”.

1. When I was in middle school, I _____ play the guitar as it was too hard.
2. Yesterday, Timothy _____ do that task on his own, since he had a broken arm.
3. In 19th century, people _____ watch TV.
4. He _____ pass the entrance exam because he didn't study hard.
5. In that village, most teens _____ attend school because of poverty.
6. Mozart _____ play the piano when he was at the age of three.
7. Lydia's grandfather _____ play chess well because he spent many years playing chess with his teacher.



4 Complete the dialogue using “have/ has/ had”.

Waiter: Welcome to Au Lac Fine Dining. Please (1) _____ a seat. What would you like to have, ma'am?

Customer: Thank you. Can I (2) _____ the menu, please?

Waiter: There you go!

Customer: I (3) _____ a food allergy yesterday, I feel uncomfortable now. So I'd like something fresh. What can you recommend?

Waiter: May I know what food you are allergic to?

Customer: I'm allergic to peanuts.

Waiter: Then may I suggest you (4) _____ the signature soup of my restaurant.

Waiter: Oh, I see. So I suggest you (5) _____ pumpkin soup with spring onions. We serve that dish with rice noodles.

Customer: That sounds great. How about drinks? Do you (6) _____ any suggestions?

Waiter: Absolutely. Let me show you. We (7) _____ juice, hot milk and tea. If you need something fresh, I think juice is an ideal option.

Customer: I (8) _____ orange juice 3 hours ago. I would like to (9) _____ some tea instead. Many thanks!

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3. In 19th century, people couldn't watch TV.
4. He couldn't pass the entrance exam because he didn't study hard.
5. In that village, most teens couldn't attend school because of poverty.
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Customer: I (8) had orange juice 3 hours ago. I would like to (9) have some tea instead. Many thanks!