

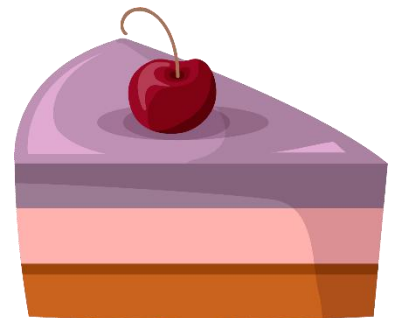
Helping verbs: could

Grade 4 Verbs Worksheet

Is “**could**” being used to express (A) a conditional tone, (B) the past tense of can, or (C) possibility?

Hint:
Could is used to express a conditional tone, the past tense of can, and possibility.

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- _____ 3. Could you please help me with this question?
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- _____ 6. We could have eaten hamburgers yesterday instead of pizza.
- _____ 7. Could you pass the pepper please?
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- _____ 10. My parents could have gone to Mexico.
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Answers

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