Could / Was and Were Able To

Habilidad general o logro concreto

Could es habitual para una habilidad general. Was o were able to indica que la acción se consiguió una vez. Para habilidades generales también es posible was o were able to, pero aquí practicamos could.

Ejemplo resuelto
We finally opened the gate yesterday. We ____ open the gate yesterday. → We were able to open the gate yesterday.
Por fin abrimos la verja ayer. Logramos abrirla ayer.

Usa could para habilidades generales; was o were able to para logros concretos.

01. I found the hidden latch and opened the box yesterday.
I _____ open the box yesterday.

02. Throughout primary school, Mia knew how to skip.
Mia _____ skip well in primary school.

03. The pupils knew how to organize their folders that term.
They _____ organize their folders that term.

04. You knew how to whistle at six.
You _____ whistle at six.

05. You were good at reading long passages at eight.
You _____ read long passages at eight.

06. Lily borrowed a suit and attended the formal event yesterday.
Lily _____ attend the formal event yesterday.

07. Sofia found enough ribbon and finished wrapping the gifts.
Sofia _____ finish wrapping the gifts yesterday.

08. Henry found his lost ticket and entered the concert last night.
Henry _____ enter the concert last night.

09. Sam used the spare scissors and cut out the pattern yesterday.
Sam _____ cut out the pattern yesterday.

10. I knew how to draw circles without a guide at ten.
I _____ draw circles without a guide at ten.

11. Grace found a clear signal and sent the email last night.
Grace _____ send the email last night.

12. Noah used a spare wheel and repaired his bike yesterday.
Noah _____ repair his bike yesterday.

13. Oliver knew how to edit audio as a teenager.
Oliver _____ edit audio as a teenager.

14. We caught an earlier bus and arrived before the doors closed.
We _____ arrive before the doors closed yesterday.

15. Anna borrowed another oven and baked the cookies yesterday.
Anna _____ bake the cookies yesterday.

16. You knew how to prepare simple snacks at eleven.
You _____ prepare simple snacks at eleven.

17. We worked together and moved the piano yesterday.
We _____ move the piano yesterday.

18. I knew how to wrap gifts neatly at twelve.
I _____ wrap gifts neatly at twelve.

19. Ruby knew how to make bracelets at nine.
Ruby _____ make bracelets at nine.

20. Emma found the right cable and played the video yesterday.
Emma _____ play the video yesterday.

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21. We knew how to mend clothes throughout that year.
We _____ mend clothes that year.

22. I knew how to draw cartoons throughout my teenage years.
I _____ draw cartoons as a teenager.

23. We knew how to take care of the school rabbits at ten.
We _____ take care of the school rabbits at ten.

24. Alex found the final clue and solved the puzzle yesterday.
Alex _____ solve the puzzle yesterday.

25. Yesterday, Leo finally opened the heavy gate after three tries.
Leo _____ open the heavy gate yesterday.

26. They found another room and recorded the song yesterday.
They _____ record the song yesterday.

27. The children knew how to use a compass that summer.
They _____ use a compass that summer.

28. You knew how to grow flowers as a child.
You _____ grow flowers as a child.

29. Lucy knew how to sketch faces as a teenager.
Lucy _____ sketch faces as a teenager.

30. We knew how to use a sewing machine at school.
We _____ use a sewing machine at school.

31. I found the right bus stop and got to the class on time.
I _____ get to the class on time yesterday.

32. You tried the new key and unlocked the cupboard yesterday.
You _____ unlock the cupboard yesterday.

33. Ben found a ladder and reached the top shelf yesterday.
Ben _____ reach the top shelf yesterday.

34. Ella knew how to play tennis as a teenager.
Ella _____ play tennis as a teenager.

35. Daniel found the receipt and returned the item yesterday.
Daniel _____ return the item yesterday.

36. We borrowed a large pan and cooked the whole meal yesterday.
We _____ cook the whole meal yesterday.

37. The children knew how to play this board game at seven.
They _____ play the board game at seven.

38. Tom used a spare tablet and joined the meeting yesterday.
Tom _____ join the meeting yesterday.

39. Ava knew how to write poems as a child.
Ava _____ write poems at ten.

40. Jack knew how to play the guitar at twelve.
Jack _____ play the guitar at twelve.

Soluciones

Frases completas. La respuesta del hueco aparece en negrita.

01. I **was able to** open the box yesterday.
02. Mia **could** skip well in primary school.
03. They **could** organize their folders that term.
04. You **could** whistle at six.
05. You **could** read long passages at eight.
06. Lily **was able to** attend the formal event yesterday.
07. Sofia **was able to** finish wrapping the gifts yesterday.
08. Henry **was able to** enter the concert last night.
09. Sam **was able to** cut out the pattern yesterday.
10. I **could** draw circles without a guide at ten.
11. Grace **was able to** send the email last night.
12. Noah **was able to** repair his bike yesterday.
13. Oliver **could** edit audio as a teenager.
14. We **were able to** arrive before the doors closed yesterday.
15. Anna **was able to** bake the cookies yesterday.
16. You **could** prepare simple snacks at eleven.
17. We **were able to** move the piano yesterday.
18. I **could** wrap gifts neatly at twelve.
19. Ruby **could** make bracelets at nine.
20. Emma **was able to** play the video yesterday.
21. We **could** mend clothes that year.
22. I **could** draw cartoons as a teenager.
23. We **could** take care of the school rabbits at ten.
24. Alex **was able to** solve the puzzle yesterday.
25. Leo **was able to** open the heavy gate yesterday.
26. They **were able to** record the song yesterday.
27. They **could** use a compass that summer.
28. You **could** grow flowers as a child.
29. Lucy **could** sketch faces as a teenager.
30. We **could** use a sewing machine at school.
31. I **was able to** get to the class on time yesterday.
32. You **were able to** unlock the cupboard yesterday.
33. Ben **was able to** reach the top shelf yesterday.
34. Ella **could** play tennis as a teenager.
35. Daniel **was able to** return the item yesterday.
36. We **were able to** cook the whole meal yesterday.
37. They **could** play the board game at seven.
38. Tom **was able to** join the meeting yesterday.
39. Ava **could** write poems at ten.
40. Jack **could** play the guitar at twelve.