

Modal Verbs of Ability (can, could, be able to)

Fill in the blanks using the correct form of the verbs given in the bracket.

(can, couldn't, was able to, Could, weren't able to, are able to, will be able to, can't)

1. She _____ hear you now — the phone is working again.
2. I'm sorry, I _____ meet you tonight because I'm working late.
3. When he was five, he _____ read yet.
4. After weeks of training, the team _____ win their first match.
5. _____ you pass me the salt, please?
6. They _____ attend the meeting because their flight was cancelled.
7. She _____ drive legally because she has a licence.
8. He _____ sleep last night due to the noise.
9. With the new software, we _____ track all orders easily.
10. I _____ remember his name at all.
11. Thanks to your advice, I _____ fix the problem myself.
12. She _____ play the piano very well when she was a child.
13. We _____ enter the building after we get our badges.
14. He _____ lift that box — it's far too heavy.

Answer Key

1. can
2. can't
3. couldn't
4. was able to
5. Could
6. weren't able to
7. can
8. couldn't
9. are able to
10. can't
11. was able to
12. could
13. will be able to
14. can't