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When I was one I couldn't run

Modals - 'could' and 'couldn't'

a b c

1. What's the word?

Write the word under the pictures.

run	walk	speak	laugh	crawl
stand	friends	sing	alphabet	write
			a b c	W. F. C.
	run			
	abcdef ghijklmn opqrstuv wxyz			



- When I was one I couldn't _____. fly (run) laugh
- I couldn't _____ or say my name. eat / speak / crawl b.
- But I could laugh and ______. crawl / jump / run
- When I was _____ what I could do one / two / three d.
- Was _____ on my two feet. run / sit / stand
- When I was three my _____ and I parents / teachers / friends
- Could_____ the alphabet. sing / write / use
- We could recognise our ______. toys / faces / names

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3. Choose the answer!

ab c	

Circle the correct answer.		
a. Icount to ten when I was three. I learned w	when I was two. could couldn	' †
b. She use a phone when she was five. She le	earned when she was four. coul d	d / couldn't
c. I tie my shoes when I was two. I learned w	hen I was five. could / couldn't	
d. They swim when they were seven. They le	arned when they were six. coul d	d / couldn't
e. He touch his toes when he was three. But	now he can't! could / couldn't	
f. They help their dad make dinner when the	ey were five. But now they can! c	could / couldn't
g. He write the alphabet when he was four. H	de learned when he was six. cou	ld / couldn't
h. She say her phone number when she was	five. But now she can! could / c	couldn't
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4. Write and draw! What could and couldn't you do when you were your draw a picture!	nger? Write about it and	