1 Complete the sentences with should(n’t) have and could(n’t) have and the past participle of the verbs.

1 With all this heavy traffic we ___________ couldn’t have made ___________ (make) it in time for the film anyway.

2 Instead of rushing into a decision like that you ________________ (think) it over!

3 You __________________________ (do) a better job. Excellent work – well done!

4 Gail __________________________ (speak) to you like that. I think she owes you an apology.

5 You __________________________ (eat) so much. No wonder you have a stomach ache.

6 I __________________________ (come) sooner. Why didn’t you phone to tell me you’d already arrived?

2 Circle the correct option.

1 They shouldn’t have left / couldn’t have left on a trip like that without the proper equipment.

2 Could we have invited / Shouldn’t we have invited Mia and Tim as well? They always include us in their invitations.

3 Why didn’t you check the timetable first? It could have saved / couldn’t have saved you the trouble of driving to the station for no reason.

4 You couldn’t have cooked / shouldn’t have cooked so much food. There are only three of us tonight.

5 We should have brought / could have brought our compass. How silly of us to forget!

6 I should never have believed / could never have believed that John would do such a terrible thing. He always seemed a really nice person.

3 Complete the third conditional sentences with the correct form of the verbs.

1 If they ________ ‘d told ___________ (tell) me about the problem, I ________ would have made ___________ (make) an effort to help.

2 She ___________ (not sprain) her ankle if she ___________ (not be) pushed.

3 If you ___________ (apply) for the job, I’m sure you ___________ (get) it.

4 What ________ you ________ (do) if you ___________ (miss) the last train?

5 ________ they ________ (be) your friends if you ___________ (not show) loyalty to them?

6 We ___________ (not come) to this place if we ___________ (know) that they didn’t accept credit cards.
Rewrite the sentences using the past perfect simple and wouldn’t have + past participle.

1. We didn’t plan the meeting carefully, and that’s why not all the issues were dealt with.
   If we’d planned the meeting carefully, all the issues would have been dealt with.

2. There was no time left, so I didn’t check for mistakes.
   If there had been time, I would have

3. Joe was exhausted and so he fell asleep during the film.
   Joe had

4. I didn’t check my emails and as a result I didn’t know you were looking for me.
   If I had checked my emails, I would have known

5. I left in a hurry, and that’s why I left my mobile in the office.
   I wouldn’t have

6. We forgot to book a table – and ended up at a much better restaurant.
   If we had booked a table, we would have

Choose the correct option (a, b or c) to complete the sentences.

1. Would you have been interested in the job if it had been abroad?
   a) Would you have been  b) Had you been  c) Would you be

2. If Kaitlyn had asked you to chair the meeting, would you have done it?
   a) would ask  b) would have asked  c) had asked

3. What would they have said if they had known you never intended to join them?
   a) had they said  b) they’d have said  c) would they have said

4. If you had done those blood tests earlier, you would have known about the problem sooner.
   a) had done  b) would do  c) would have done

5. I’m sure she would have accepted your apology if you had only said you were sorry.
   a) would accept  b) had accepted  c) would have accepted

6. You wouldn’t have become such an excellent cook if you hadn’t put in so much effort and enthusiasm.
   a) had  b) would have  c) wouldn’t have