1. Match the speech situations with the proper sentences.

| 1. Ability in the present d | a. Could I use your charger? |
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| 2. Ability in the past f | b. This car can drive in autopilot mode. |
| 3. Asking permission c | c. Could you debug the program? |
| 4. Asking permission politely a | d. She could still be at work. |
| 5. Polite request e | e. Can I download this app? |
| 6. Possibility b | f. At school, Bill Gates became entranced with what a computer could do. |

2. Fill in: can, can’t, could, couldn’t, will be able to (for expressing general or specific ability).

1. Some people are afraid of AI technology, others can’t wait to see AI-powered machines.

2. Bill Gates quickly impressed IBM convincing them that he and his company could meet their needs.

3. Steam users can see what their friends are doing in the game.

4. Developers hope that in the near future an AI system can work with visual content more properly.

5. Google Cloud Vision API could detect and extract information about entities in an image, across a broad group of categories.

6. Unfortunately, last time the system can not identify different objects in the image with high accuracy.

7. Soon you can build your own object detection system using Image AI.

8. If the system could not classify image items, it should be further trained.

3. Complete the sentences using could, couldn’t, was/were able to (for expressing general or specific ability).

1. Denis was could buy this phone case because it had been sold out.

2. When Nick was 13, he loved programming. He was build his first programmable robot with LEGO MINDSTORMS.

3. The topic was rather difficult but I could understand the idea.

4. Yesterday an AI-powered drone inspected the wind turbine and could detect some defective components.

5. Last year we could easily find a lot of fascinating places in Italy thanks to a GPS navigator.

6. The task was so monotonous that the workers could not keep up with the rate of product output.

7. As there was nobody to disturb us in the lab, we could complete the measurements.

4. Complete the sentences. Use could or could have and a suitable verb from

the box to express possibility.

1. – Where’s Kate? – She go in a meeting.

2. – Are you still using Windows 7? You download the latest Windows 10 long ago.

3. – When shall we meet tomorrow? – Well, we meet at 10 a.m.

4. – Did you go to the movies last night? – No, we be but we decided to stay at

home.

5. – What challenges can manufacturers solve using AI tools? – For instance,

manufacturers integrate neural networks to create automated visual inspections.

4. For every half-hour spent sitting in front of your computer you \_\_\_\_ take a 2-3 minutes break.

a) don’t have to

b) should

c) were able to

5. Chatbots \_\_\_\_ be programmed for different platforms like Facebook, Twitter, WhatsApp. a) was able to

b) can’t

c) can