could

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quand l'utiliser ?

perception
- vue — *He could see a ghost !*
- ouïe
- odorat
- toucher

permission
- demande polie — *Could I drive your car ?*

possibilité
- hypothèse — *I could help you if you paid me.*

capacité
- capacité passée — *We couldn't swim when we were 10.*

I could fly on my broom when I was a young witch.

I could fly again if I had a new broom.

définition

auxiliaire de mode
- aide le verbe
- ajoute une nuance
- forme passée de *can*

conjugaison

forme affirmative: sujet + could + BV.

forme interrogative: Could + sujet + BV ?

forme négative: sujet + couldn't + BV.

sujet + could + not + BV.

BV = base verbale
= infinitif sans "to"
(= verbe tout nu !)