

#### Practice activities

##### Exercise 1:

Match the sentences on the left to the appropriate ones on the right.

1.	My girlfriend left me.
2.	She won't be able to finish her dinner.
3.	This movie is really boring.
4.	I think that dress looks awful on her.
5.	This food is burnt.
6.	My feet are freezing!
7.	I was really late for work today.
8.	The interview didn't go too well.

a.	I shouldn't have gone to bed so late last night.
b.	I should have prepared more thoroughly.
c.	I should have put on thicker socks.
d.	She should have chosen a different colour.
e.	I should have been nicer to her.
f.	We should have chosen a romantic one.
g.	She shouldn't have ordered so much.
h.	You shouldn't have left it in the oven so long.

**Exercise 2:**

Read the sentence and choose the one option a-d which best fits the space.

1. I've got a terrible headache. I ... all that beer.
  - a. shouldn't have drunk
  - b. should've drink
  - c. should've drunk
  - d. shouldn't have drunk
  
2. I went to work yesterday, even though I felt ill. Today I feel even worse. I ... .
  - a. shouldn't have stayed at home
  - b. shouldn't have gone to work
  - c. should have stayed at home
  - d. should have gone to work
  
3. My kids are so spoilt. I should have ... with them.
  - a. been stricter
  - b. stricted
  - c. being stricter
  - d. been stricting
  
4. You didn't believe me, but I was telling the truth. You should ... me.
  - a. believed
  - b. have believed
  - c. have believe
  - d. have believing
  
5. Mary only married Doug for his money. Now he thinks his friends ... .
  - a. should have warned him about her.
  - b. shouldn't have warned him about her.
  - c. should have warned her about him.
  - d. shouldn't have warned her about him.
  
6. He wasn't wearing his seatbelt, so he was injured in the crash. He should have ... it.
  - a. wore
  - b. wearing
  - c. worn
  - d. wored

## Grammar Challenge – 'should have' + past participle practice activities

### Answers

#### Exercise 1:

Match the beginnings of the sentences to the correct endings.

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e.	I should have been nicer to her.
g.	She shouldn't have ordered so much.
f.	We should have chosen a romantic one.
d.	She should have chosen a different colour.
h.	You shouldn't have left it in the oven so long.
c.	I should have put on thicker socks.
a.	I shouldn't have gone to bed so late last night.
b.	I should have prepared more thoroughly.

#### Exercise 2:

Read the sentence and choose the one option a-d which best fits the space.

- I've got a terrible headache. I ... all that beer.
  - shouldn't have drunk – Wrong – the verb is in the wrong form.
  - should've drink – Wrong – the speaker regrets drinking the beer, and the verb is in the wrong form.
  - should've drunk – Wrong – the speaker regrets drinking the beer.
  - shouldn't have drunk – Correct – the speaker regrets drinking the beer.**
- I went to work yesterday, even though I felt ill. Today I feel even worse. I ... .
  - shouldn't have stayed at home – Wrong – the speaker DIDN'T stay at home yesterday.
  - shouldn't have went to work – Wrong – 'went' is not the past participle of 'go'.
  - should have stayed at home - Correct – the speaker regrets going to work yesterday.**
  - should have gone to work – Wrong – the speaker DID go to work yesterday.
- My kids are so spoilt. I should have ... with them.
  - been stricter – Correct – the speaker regrets not being strict.**
  - stricted – Wrong – 'strict' is not a verb.
  - being stricter – Wrong – 'being' is not a past participle.
  - been stricting – Wrong – 'strict' can not take '-ing'.
- You didn't believe me, but I was telling the truth. You should ... me.

- a. believed – Wrong – you need to add 'have' to this sentence.  
**b. have believed – Correct – the speaker is unhappy that s/he wasn't believed.**  
c. have believe – Wrong – 'believe' is not a past participle.  
d. have believing – Wrong – 'believing' is not a past participle.
5. Mary only married Doug for his money. Now he thinks his friends ... .  
**a. should have warned him about her – Correct – this is his opinion about a past mistake.**  
b. shouldn't have warned him about her – Wrong – they DIDN'T warn him.  
c. should have warned her about him – Wrong – the pronouns are wrong.  
d. shouldn't have warnt him about her – Wrong – 'warnt' is not the correct spelling of the past participle, and they DIDN'T warn him about her
6. He wasn't wearing his seatbelt, so he was injured in the crash. He should have ... it.  
a. wore – Wrong – 'wore' is not a past participle.  
b. wearing – Wrong – 'wearing' is not a past participle.  
**c. worn – Correct – this is an opinion about a past mistake.**  
d. wored – Wrong – 'wored' is not a past participle.