

Should, Should Be, Should Have Been

Fill in the blanks with should, should be or should have been.

Should be refers to the present and future. Should have been refers to the past.

1. You something about it before it gets worse.

should do

should be

should have done

2. You something before the situation got out of hand.

should do

should be doing

should have done

3. You there when they sign the papers.

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should be

should have been

should

4. You there when they signed the papers.

should be

should have been

should

5. You me you weren't coming.

should tell

should be telling

should have told

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6. I to him. His advice landed me in trouble.

should not listen

should not have listened

should not be listening

7. You to wise people.

should listen

should have listened

Either could be used here

8. We are going to Malaysia in November. That nice.

should

should be

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9. You kind to all people.

Please select 2 correct answers

should

should be

should have been

10. I don't think that you so much money on cosmetics.

should spend

should spent

should have been spending

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11. It is important that the meeting on time.

should start

should have started

should be starting

12. Do you think that we her?

should tell

should be telling

should told

Answers

1. You should do something about it before it gets worse.
2. You should have done something before the situation got out of hand.
3. You should be there when they sign the papers.
4. You should have been there when they signed the papers.
5. You should have told me you weren't coming.

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6. I shouldn't have listened to him. His advice landed me in trouble.
7. You should listen to wise people.
8. We are going to Malaysia in November. That should be nice.
9. You should be kind to all people.
10. I don't think that you should spend so much money on cosmetics.
11. It is important that the meeting should start on time.
12. Do you think that we should tell her?