

Upper Intermediate – Make Well-informed Decisions

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How could they have made a better decision?

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Reflection Point

It can be hard to make a decision, but understanding your options better can help you make the right one. No decision is perfect, though, so if you make the wrong one, try to learn from your mistake. This will help you make better decisions in the future.