Real-life scenario

On 14 August 2005, a Boeing 737-300 (5B-DBY) being operated by Helios Airways on an international passenger flight from Larnaca to Athens as HCY522 lost contact with ATC en-route and was subsequently intercepted when level at FL340 by two military aircraft, one of whose pilots observed in day VMC that the two 737 pilots were respectively incapacitated and absent from the flight deck. The aircraft subsequently departed controlled flight and impacted terrain almost three hours after take-off and was destroyed and all 121 occupants were killed.

Question: What could/should the pilot(s) have done in order to land this plane successfully?

The happy-ending scenario

You are going to work in a team of 3. Imagine that 2 of you are the crew of the above-mentioned flight and one is the ATCO. Create a scenario following the events from 2005 but give it a happy-ending this time. Role-play the situation using both standard phraseologies and plain English,