

## Used to

- 1  1.12 Read and listen to the dialogue between a teenager and his grandfather. Which adjective best sums up the grandfather's attitude: miserable or nostalgic?



- Grandad** Have you seen this photo of me when I was your age?
- James** No, I haven't. Let me see. Wow! You used to have great hair!
- Grandad** I know. I used to spend ages getting it just right. It's much quicker now.
- James** Your clothes look cool too. Did you use to spend a lot of money on them?
- Grandad** I didn't use to have much money. My mother made some of them. And I used to share clothes with my brother.
- James** I used to do that too. But he doesn't let me borrow them now!

Complete the dialogue with the correct form of *used to* and the verbs below.

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- Mum** I <sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ opposite the Palace Cinema when I was ten.
- Alice** <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ there often?
- Mum** Yes. But we <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_. It wasn't our fault – we <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ any money for tickets.
- Alice** So how did you get in?
- Mum** We <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ outside the fire exit and run in when somebody opened it!
- Alice** I can't believe you <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ that! You're always telling me how important it is to be honest!
- Mum** Well, yes. I <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ very naughty, but I grew out of it.

 1.13 Listen and check your answers to exercise 3. How is *used to* pronounced?

5 Complete these sentences with the correct form of *used to* / *didn't use to* and the verbs in brackets.

- They \_\_\_\_\_ (live) abroad, but they moved back to this country last year.
- She \_\_\_\_\_ (be) a student, but she finished her university course in June.
- She \_\_\_\_\_ (eat) meat, but now she has chicken sometimes.
- I \_\_\_\_\_ (like) cats, but I prefer dogs now.
- I \_\_\_\_\_ (enjoy) TV, but now I find most of the programmes boring or annoying.
- We \_\_\_\_\_ (spend) a lot of time together, but now we hardly ever see each other.
- He \_\_\_\_\_ (speak) a foreign language, but he started going to Spanish lessons last year.
- My grandad \_\_\_\_\_ (have) a lot of money, but he's quite rich now.