

'Used to'

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Form

► In the affirmative, we use the phrase **used to** followed by the infinitive of the verb. The phrase **used to** remains the same in all persons.
I **used to** like horror films when I was younger.

► The verb **use** in the phrase **used to** forms questions and negations like regular verbs. In questions and negations, no ending **-ed** is added to the verb.

Did you **use** to live in Paris?

~~Did you **used to** live in Paris?~~ X

I **didn't use** to like horror films.

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Use

We use **used to** in order to describe habits or situations which existed in the past but not any longer.

We use **used to** if we want to stress the difference between what used to happen in then and what happens now.

She **used to have** cornflakes and milk for breakfast but now she just has a glass of orange juice.



Choose the correct words to complete the table.

Affirmative

I / You / He / She /
It / We / You /
They

use / used to

¹ lived / live here.

Negative

I / You / He /
She / It / We /
You / They

² didn't used to /
didn't use to

drink tea.

Questions and short answers

³ Did / were you

⁴ use / used to
play tennis?

Yes, I ⁵ played /
did.
No, I ⁶ didn't /
wasn't.

Where did he

⁷ use / used to
live?

With his
parents.



Correct the words.

We ~~weren't use~~ to go to that school. didn't use

1 They ~~didn't used~~ to like computer games.

2 Did they ~~used~~ to buy Marvel comics?

3 My sister ~~used to loved~~ Beanie Babies.

4 What did your favourite cartoon ~~use be~~?

5 I ~~used to not have~~ a games console.

6 'Did you ~~use to~~ collect *Pokémon* cards?' 'Yes, I ~~used~~.'

Complete with *used to*.

- 1 We used to go (go) to the cinema once a week, but now we don't.
- 2 He (not drink) milk, but now he drinks a glass every morning.
- 3 He (work) in a bank, but now he works in an office.
- 4 I (not like) comedies, but now I love them.
- 5 My grandmother (be) a teacher.
- 6 (he / cry) a lot when he was a baby?
- 7 When I lived in London, I (travel) by bus.



02 Listen again and choose the correct answers.

- 1 Tina says there used to be of fashion when she was young.
a more types
b only a small number of types
c only one type
- 2 Tina the style of clothes her brother and his friends wore.
a used to dislike
b used to live
c didn't use to care about
- 3 Tina says that punks used to wear trousers.
a colourful
b tight
c smart
- 4 Tina's parents the clothes she wore.
a used to be unhappy about
b didn't use to be interested in
c used to love
- 5 At first, Dan fashion.
a wanted to study
b didn't have money for
c wasn't into
- 6 Dan says his hip hop clothes used to be
a easy to find
b very large
c messy
- 7 Dan didn't use to very often.
a listen to music
b buy new trainers
c brush his hair
- 8 When Dan was young, he used to think fashion was
a very important
b funny
c expensive

Read, choose and write.

eat fight hunt live (x2) make move travel

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THE PLAINS INDIANS

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Did you know?

- 1 The Plains Indians **used to live**
in North America.
- 2 They buffalos.
- 3 They in tents.
- 4 They on horses.
- 5 They clothes out of animal skin.
- 6 They with bows and arrows.
- 7 They to large camps in the summer.
- 8 They meat, fish and corn.

What do you know about the Plains Indians? Send your ideas to TeenLink.