

GRAMMAR: *used to* and *usually*

1 Complete the sentences with *used to*, *use to*, or *usually*.

- 1 When Joe was younger, he _____ go to a country school.
- 2 Our family didn't _____ have a car.
- 3 My father _____ came home from work at six.
- 4 The horses _____ slept in their stable at night.
- 5 Grandma _____ get angry if we were late for dinner.
- 6 Did Joe _____ live in the U.S.?
- 7 Hamida didn't _____ be so adventurous.
- 8 Did Miriam _____ have long hair?
- 9 Our family _____ went to Italy in summer.
- 10 My parents _____ grow all their own vegetables years ago.

2 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs in the box. Use *used to* where possible.

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- 1 When I was younger, I _____ to the movies at least once a week.
- 2 _____ Gina _____ on the same hockey team as you?
- 3 Luiza _____ Petar three years ago, I think.
- 4 Laura's family _____ a television.
- 5 I _____ cheese, but I absolutely love it now!
- 6 We always _____ my brother with his homework.
- 7 Arjun _____ the game on TV last night.
- 8 _____ your parents _____ you stay out late when you were a teenager?
- 9 Henry often _____ for his little sister.
- 10 Andrew and Lottie _____ any exercise at all.

3 Complete the conversation with *usually* or the correct form of *used to* and the verbs in parentheses. Some items have two answers.



- A This is the house where we ¹_____ (live) when I was little. I ²_____ (share) a bedroom with both of my sisters.
- B Wow, three of you in one room!
- A Yes. People ³_____ (not live) in such small houses nowadays, do they? But my parents didn't mind. My mom ⁴_____ (say) that more rooms just meant more housework for her to do!
- B That's one way to look at it, I suppose! But I think people ⁵_____ (prefer) bigger houses because they're more comfortable, don't you?
- A ⁶_____ (share) a room with your brothers?
- B Yes, I did. Mom ⁷_____ (get) really annoyed with us because we stayed up so late, talking and laughing. And then we ⁸_____ (fall) asleep in class and get into trouble!
- A You were lucky! My sisters ⁹_____ (not talk) to me very much – they were much older than me. But I ¹⁰_____ (not mind), though. I was happy reading my books.

PRONUNCIATION: Sentence stress

4 2.4 Read the sentences and underline the syllables you think will be stressed. Listen and check.

- 1 I used to love her visits.
- 2 Did Rod use to play with you?
- 3 We didn't use to watch TV.
- 4 Did Katie use to help you?
- 5 Megan didn't use to come with us.
- 6 The teachers used to yell a lot.
- 7 Zoe used to play the piano.
- 8 Lucas didn't use to ride a bike.
- 9 Did your teacher use to be late a lot?
- 10 Maria didn't use to like swimming.