

Means of expressing the past

PAST SIMPLE	
Form	Verb ... (e.g. walked, ate)
Uses	<p>Match the meanings (a-c) with the sentences (1-3):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) describing a series of actions or events in the past b) actions or events that happened at a particular time in the past c) habits in the past
	1. 'I left work at 10.30.' Jackson replied.
	2. Jackson switched off the light, opened the door and walked out onto the street.
	3. When I was a child, I visited my grandma every weekend.
Time adverbs:	
PAST CONTINUOUS	
Form	Was / Were + ...
Uses	<p>Match the meanings (a-d) with the sentences (1-4):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) actions or events that were in progress around a particular time in the past b) describing a scene in the past (background story) c) past annoying habits d) describing how one event interrupted another, longer event
	1. It was 2 a.m. But the city wasn't sleeping . Music was coming from countless windows.
	2. What were you doing at 11 o'clock yesterday evening?' asked the policeman.
	3. While Jackson was looking for the right address, a police car came around the corner.
	4. She was always teasing me! I never liked it!
Time adverbs:	
USED TO & WOULD & BE/GET USED TO	
Form (1)	Used to / Would + ...
Form (2)	Be / Get used to + ...
Uses	<p>Match the meanings (a-d) with the sentences (1-4):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. habits in the past; we can't use this to talk about situations (state verbs) in the past b. activities that we are familiar with c. a situation in the past that is different now d. habits in the past e. activities that we are becoming familiar with
	1. I used to go skating every weekend.
	2. There didn't use to be any shops in this part of town. (but there are now.)
	3. Every evening, the princess would gaze out of the window longingly.
	4. I am used to waking up very early every morning.
	5. I am still getting used to driving on the left.