♪ We Used to Wait – Arcade Fire

Play Now

Part 1 - Complete the sentences with *used to + verb*:

I _____, I used to write letters
I _____ my name
I _____ at night
Before the flashing lights **settled** deep in my brain

But by the time we met, by the time we met
The times had already changed

Part 2 – Listen and match the halves:

1. So I never wrote a letter	A. I never took my true heart
2. I never wrote it down	B. **Wilderness** downtown
3. I was lost standing in the	C. So when the lights cut out

Now our lives are changing fast (2x)
Hope that something pure can **last** (2x)

4. It seems strange	D. Can keep you **alive**
5. For letters to arrive	E. How we used to wait
6. Is how something so small	F. But what's stranger still

Part 3 - Complete the sentences with *used to + verb*:

We _____
We used to waste hours just walking around
We _____
All those wasted lives in the wilderness downtown

[CHORUS]
Ooooh we used to wait (3x)
Sometimes it never came (ooooh we used to wait)
Sometimes it never came (ooooh we used to wait)
Still moving through the pain (ooooooooooh)

Part 4 – Listen and choose one of the words:

I'm gonna ***unite / write / right***
A letter to my true love, I'm gonna ***type / sign / write*** my name
Like a patient on a ***table / fable / label***
I wanna walk again, gonna move through the ***rain / pain / lane***

Now our lives are changing fast (2x)
Hope that something pure can last (2x)

[REPEAT CHORUS]

We used to wait (x3)

We used to wait for it (2x)
Now we're ***screaming / dreaming***
Sing the chorus again
(repeat this part twice)

I used to wait for it (2x)
Dear / Hear my voice screaming
Sing the chorus again

Wait for it! (x3)

GLOSSARY

: not dead; alert and active.

: to reach a decision or an agreement about something, or to end a disagreement.

: to continue to exist; to continue being good or suitable.

: an area of land that has not been used to have towns and roads built on, because it is extremely cold or hot or there is bad earth.