

PAST PERFECT, USED TO AND WOULD

Listening

1) Decide whether the following statements are True (T) or False (F) according to the recording.

- a) The speaker's grandfather used a digital laptop to write stories in the past. (T / F)
- b) The grandfather had to give away many old objects because the family was moving to a new house. (T / F)
- c) When the speaker received the typewriter, it was in perfect working condition. (T / F)
- d) The speaker had checked reviews of the repair shop before taking the typewriter there. (T / F)

2) Choose the correct option (A, B, or C) based on what you hear:

1- What did the grandfather use to do every afternoon?

- A) He would play video games on his computer.
- B) He would write stories on his old typewriter.
- C) He would repair old electronic devices.

2- By the time the speaker opened the typewriter case, what had happened to it?

- A) The carriage strap had broken and two keys had jammed.
- B) The outer cover had disappeared.
- C) The digital display had stopped working.

3- Why did the speaker read reviews online before going to the repair shop?

- A) To check if the shop was open on weekends.
- B) To make sure the technician was reliable.
- C) To sign up for a typewriter restoration course.

4- How did the story end?

- A) The typewriter turned out to be impossible to fix.
- B) The speaker had to buy a new digital keyboard.
- C) Everything turned out well and the typewriter was repaired.

3) Listen again and complete the missing grammatical structures from the text:

- a) Every afternoon, he _____ sit at his wooden desk and write stories.
- b) By the time I received it, the main carriage strap _____ (snap).

- c) Two of the metal keys _____ together (*jam*).
d) Before I visited the shop, I _____ several reviews online (*read*)

4) Match the beginning of each sentence with its correct ending based on the listening:

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| 1. Every afternoon, the grandfather... | A. ...he realized he had to do without many old items. |
| 2. Before moving to a new house... | B. ...had snapped and two keys had jammed. |
| 3. By the time the speaker opened the case, the strap... | C. ...would sit at his desk and write stories. |
| 4. Before visiting the technician, the speaker... | D. ...had read several online reviews. |

5) Select the correct grammatical form to complete each sentence:

- a) When he was young, the grandfather _____ write stories without a screen.
b) By the time I received the typewriter, the carriage strap _____
c) Two metal keys _____ together before I opened the case.
d) Before I went to the repair shop, I _____ several reviews online.
e) In the end, the technician fixed the mechanism and everything _____ great.