# Used to

**1** **1.12** **Read and listen to the dialogue between a teenager and his grandfather. Which adjective best sums up the grandfather's attitude: miserable or nostalgic?**

**Grandad** Have you seen this photo of me when I was your age?

**James** No, I haven't. Let me see. Wow! You used to have great hair!

**Grandad** I know. I used to spend ages getting it just right. It's much quicker now.

**James** Your clothes look cool too. Did you use to spend a lot of money on them?

**Grandad** I didn't use to have much money. My mother made some of them. And I used to share clothes with my brother.

**James** I used to do that too. But he doesn't let me borrow them now!

**Complete the dialogue with the correct form of *used to* and the verbs below.**

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**Mum** I [1]_____ opposite the Palace Cinema when I was ten.

**Alice** [2]_____ you _____ there often?

**Mum** Yes. But we [3]_____. It wasn't our fault – we [4]_____ any money for tickets.

**Alice** So how did you get in?

**Mum** We [5]_____ outside the fire exit and run in when somebody opened it!

**Alice** I can't believe you [6]_____ that! You're always telling me how important it is to be honest!

**Mum** Well, yes. I [7]_____ very naughty, but I grew out of it.

**1.13** **Listen and check your answers to exercise 3. How is *used to* pronounced?**

**5** **Complete these sentences with the correct form of *used to / didn't use to* and the verbs in brackets.**

1 They _____ (live) abroad, but they moved back to this country last year.
2 She _____ (be) a student, but she finished her university course in June.
3 She _____ (eat) meat, but now she has chicken sometimes.
4 I _____ (like) cats, but I prefer dogs now.
5 I _____ (enjoy) TV, but now I find most of the programmes boring or annoying.
6 We _____ (spend) a lot of time together, but now we hardly ever see each other.
7 He _____ (speak) a foreign language, but he started going to Spanish lessons last year.
8 My grandad _____ (have) a lot of money, but he's quite rich now.

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