

## Be Used To | Get Used To | Used To

### 'used to + infinitive'

We use '**used to**' to talk about things that happened in the past – actions or states – that no longer happen now.

- She **used to be** a long distance runner when she was younger.
- I **used to eat** meat but I became a vegetarian 5 years ago.

1. I \_\_\_\_\_ wear mini-skirts when I was younger.
2. When I was a child, my mother \_\_\_\_\_ bake delicious cakes.

**NB** The negative is '**didn't use to**' and questions are formed with '**Did you use to**'



### 'be/get used to'...?'

If you **are used to** something, you are accustomed to it – you don't find it unusual.

If you **are getting used to** something you are in the process of getting accustomed to it.

- I found Russian food very strange at first, but I **am used to** it now.
- I **am getting used to** driving on the right.

1. I can't \_\_\_\_\_ getting up so early. I'm tired all the time.
2. He \_\_\_\_\_ not \_\_\_\_\_ the weather here yet. He's finding it very cold.



## Exercises

1. He \_\_\_\_\_ be fat but now he's thin.
2. He isn't \_\_\_\_\_ driving in these bad conditions.
3. How did you \_\_\_\_\_ living in such a mess?
4. Did you \_\_\_\_\_ write poems when you were young?
5. I need some time to \_\_\_\_\_ living in this town.
6. Sting \_\_\_\_\_ be a teacher before he became a famous singer.
7. I'm not \_\_\_\_\_ washing linen by hand.
8. She'll have to \_\_\_\_\_ living in the extremely cold winter of Siberia.
9. My mother didn't \_\_\_\_\_ drink much coffee. But now she has become addicted to it.
10. There \_\_\_\_\_ be a lot of trees in this courtyard, but now they have all been cut down.

