

## 6A GRAMMAR used to, be used to, get used to

a Circle the correct form.



Inge

Madrid, Spain

I come from Germany. I <sup>1</sup>used to live/ would live in the north, in Hamburg, but then I moved to Madrid about five years ago. I love the weather in Spain – there are more sunny days and it's a lot warmer. But I had to <sup>2</sup>be used to / get used to having lunch very late, at about 2:00 p.m., and dinner as late as 9:00 or 10:00 p.m. In Germany, things <sup>3</sup>usually / use to happen exactly on time, but here things are much more relaxed. I like that, too. The only thing I really miss is the bread! I <sup>4</sup>was used to being able / was used to be able to choose from between 20 or 30 different kinds of bread, but here it's more like two or three. And sometimes I have problems with noisy neighbors, especially at night. That never <sup>5</sup>used to be / was used to being a problem in Hamburg. People there <sup>6</sup>usually go / are used to going to bed earlier.

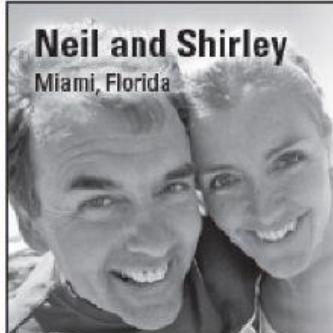
b Complete the blog with used to, be used to, get used to, or usually.

I <sup>1</sup>used to live in Sweden, but I married a Mexican woman and now I live in Mexico City, Mexico. I've been here for six years now, so I <sup>2</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ the lifestyle. Life is more hectic here than in Sweden. Mexican people socialize more than Swedish people, and I really enjoy that. I had to <sup>3</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ eating lots of rice and beans, which is very common in Mexico. In Sweden I <sup>4</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ eat rice once or twice a month, and now I <sup>5</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ have it once or twice a week! I also had to <sup>6</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ the different mentality. For example, people here are very family-oriented. This was new to me and hard to understand at first. But now I <sup>7</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ having lunch every Sunday with my in-laws! It was also quite hard for me to <sup>8</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ the dialect they speak in Mexico City. I still sometimes have to ask people to repeat things. The only thing I can't <sup>9</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ is spicy food. I know jalapenos are a traditional flavoring in Mexico, but they're just too strong for me. In Sweden I <sup>10</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ eat peppers a lot, but they weren't as spicy. Still, I do love the food here!

Lennart  
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c Complete the blog with a verb from the list in the correct form.



Neil and Shirley

Miami, Florida

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We used to <sup>1</sup>live in England, but we've been living in Miami, Florida, since 2010. We're used to <sup>2</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ here now, but at first it was very hard. We live in the suburbs, and when we first moved into the house, I just couldn't get used to <sup>3</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ snakes in the yard, but now it's not a problem. We just leave them alone. Although we speak the same language, there are still some things here that are strange. People here usually <sup>4</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ really early, at about 5:00 a.m., which we still haven't gotten used to. Christmas doesn't feel right either – I haven't got used to <sup>5</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ roast turkey when the temperature is 80°F!