



USED TO

VS

WOULD

9B Past habitual with *used to* and *would*

To ask questions about a habitual action or situation in the past, use *Did . . . use to . . . ?* (NOT *Would . . . ?*).

Did you use to **listen** to rock music when you were younger?

Did you use to **share** a bedroom with your little brother?

Use the negative question *Didn't . . . use to . . . ?* to confirm a guess about habitual actions or a situation in the past.

Didn't you use to **work** at a grocery store after school?

Didn't he use to **play** on the school soccer team?

1 Write the questions to these responses. Use *Did . . . use to* or *Didn't . . . use to*.

1. A: *Did / Didn't you use to live in San Francisco?*

B: Yes, I did. I lived in San Francisco for about two years.

2. A: _____

B: A lot? No, as a matter of fact, I've never drunk coffee.

3. A: _____

B: No, he never did. Actually, Pete's allergic to cats.

4. A: _____

B: In the school band? Yes, I did. I played the flute.

5. A: _____

B: Yes, I always rode my bike in elementary school, but I'd take the bus on rainy days.

6. A: _____

B: Yeah, my hair was really long, but I had to cut it when I joined the swim team.

2 Choose the correct answer to complete each sentence. Sometimes both are possible.

1. Lesley *would* / *used to* live in Brazil before she moved to Turkey.
2. We *would* / *used to* have fun during summer vacations.
3. They *would* / *used to* have a house by the ocean, but they've sold it.
4. Serena *would* / *used to* go mountain biking every weekend.
5. *Would* her parents / *Did* her parents *use to* own a Mexican restaurant ten years ago?
6. My mother *would* / *used to* volunteer at the hospital every winter.
7. Alex *would* / *used to* like to build models of cars and ships.
8. *Would* you / *Did* you *use to* be good at fixing cars when you were younger?

