

## GRAMMAR

### Past habits and states

A Complete the article with *used to* or *would* and the correct form of the verbs in brackets. In some sentences, more than one answer is possible.

It <sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (**be**) very difficult for women in Britain to get good jobs and be financially independent. Very few women <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (**work**) in professions such as medicine or law. For one thing, they <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (**not have**) access to a university education in order to be able to train for a profession.

It was even harder for working-class women. My grandmother <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (**work**) in a Lancashire factory until she got married. She <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (**leave**) the house at dawn and return late in the evening. The workers <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (**rarely/get**) holidays, except for once a year, when the factories all closed down for a week. Then, everyone <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (**board**) the train to Blackpool to spend a few days by the sea.

