

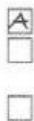
5th J – Let's talk about what things USED to be LIKE or what we WOULD do in the past

used to and would

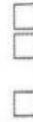
SHOW WHAT YOU KNOW

1 Read the sentences and write A for describing an action or S for describing a state.

0 When my dad was young, he went to the Polish seaside every summer.
1 My granddad had a Fiat 126, or 'Maluch'.
2 Grandma, Granddad, my dad and my uncle all squeezed into the tiny car.



3 They drove all the way from Wrocław to Sopot.
4 It took them all night and most of the next day.
5 Despite the long drive, Dad loved going on holiday in his 'Maluch'.



2 ★ Rewrite the sentences using used to.

0 In the 1990s, people chose very bright colours.
In the 1990s, people used to choose very bright colours.

1 Many women wore tight jeans and cowboy boots.
Many women _____ tight jeans and cowboy boots.

2 It was stylish for men to wear white socks.
It _____ stylish for men to wear white socks.

3 Tattoos and body piercings weren't as popular as they are now.
Tattoos and body piercings _____ as popular as they are now.

4 Supermodels such as Cindy Crawford and Claudia Schiffer became famous.
Supermodels such as Cindy Crawford and Claudia Schiffer _____ famous.

5 Was short hair fashionable?
_____ fashionable?



3 ★★ Read the text and replace the underlined verbs with phrases using *used to* or *would*. Use *would* where possible and *used to* if *would* is not possible.

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Reality check, by Simon Foster, 23

Five years ago, I thought ⁰used to think I was going to make lots of money when I left school. I told ¹ _____ my parents I'd be the president of a company with a fancy car and a big house by the time I was twenty-one. I believed ² _____ that companies were going to fight to offer me a job because I was going to be a great innovator like Bill Gates or Steve Jobs. I didn't feel ³ _____ that further study was necessary and I wanted to get a job and start my 'amazing' career as soon as possible. I said ⁴ _____ that I'd be able to 'do whatever' and 'go wherever' because I'd be so rich and successful. I didn't know ⁵ _____ much about real life back then.

What would I say to my teenage self now? WAKE UP, MATE! The real world is tough and competitive, and success requires hard work. Take a reality check, work hard and if you are very lucky, success might follow.

4 ★★☆ Tick the correct sentence in each pair.

Sometimes both sentences are correct.

When we went on family summer holidays:

1 a	We used to set off very early in the car.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	b We would set off very early in the car.	<input type="checkbox"/>
2 a	One summer we drove all the way to Spain.	<input type="checkbox"/>
	b One summer we would drive all the way to Spain.	<input type="checkbox"/>
3 a	I used to think it was amazing that Mum and Dad could find the way.	<input type="checkbox"/>
	b I would think it was amazing that Mum and Dad could find the way.	<input type="checkbox"/>
4 a	We wouldn't have GPS in those days.	<input type="checkbox"/>
	b We didn't use to have GPS in those days.	<input type="checkbox"/>

SHOW WHAT YOU'VE LEARNT

5 Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first. Use the word in capitals.

0 When she was young, Helen didn't get on very well with her cousin Madeline. **USE**
When she was young, Helen didn't use to get on very well with her cousin Madeline.

1 I wasn't fair-haired as a baby. **DIDN'T**
I _____ fair-haired as a baby.

2 Though they shared a bedroom for many years, Tina and her brother Oliver never fell out. **WOULDN'T**
Though they shared a bedroom for many years, Tina and her brother Oliver _____.

3 Kim looked up to her team-mate Ellie until she discovered that Ellie was a cheat. **USED**
Kim _____ her team-mate Ellie, until she discovered that Ellie was a cheat.

4 We hated playing football on cold afternoons. **HATE**
We _____ playing football on cold afternoons.

5 At every match, the fans started singing at the beginning of the match. **WOULD**
At every match, the fans _____ singing at the beginning of the match.

6 You thought you'd always be skinny, but now you're sixteen, you're very well-built. **THINK**
You _____ you'd always be skinny, but now you're sixteen, you're very well-built.