

Used to

- 1  1.12 Read and listen to the dialogue between a teenager and his grandfather. Which adjective best sums up the grandfather's attitude: miserable or nostalgic?



- Grandad** Have you seen this photo of me when I was your age?
- James** No, I haven't. Let me see. Wow! You used to have great hair!
- Grandad** I know. I used to spend ages getting it just right. It's much quicker now.
- James** Your clothes look cool too. Did you use to spend a lot of money on them?
- Grandad** I didn't use to have much money. My mother made some of them. And I used to share clothes with my brother.
- James** I used to do that too. But he doesn't let me borrow them now!

Complete the dialogue with the correct form of *used to* and the verbs below. 5 Complete these sentences with the correct form of *used to* / *didn't use to* and the verbs in brackets.

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Mum I ¹ _____ opposite the Palace Cinema when I was ten.

Alice ² _____ you _____ there often?

Mum Yes. But we ³ _____. It wasn't our fault – we ⁴ _____ any money for tickets.

Alice So how did you get in?

Mum We ⁵ _____ outside the fire exit and run in when somebody opened it!

Alice I can't believe you ⁶ _____ that! You're always telling me how important it is to be honest!

Mum Well, yes. I ⁷ _____ very naughty, but I grew out of it.

 1.13 Listen and check your answers to exercise 3. How is *used to* pronounced?

- 1 They _____ (live) abroad, but they moved back to this country last year.
- 2 She _____ (be) a student, but she finished her university course in June.
- 3 She _____ (eat) meat, but now she has chicken sometimes.
- 4 I _____ (like) cats, but I prefer dogs now.
- 5 I _____ (enjoy) TV, but now I find most of the programmes boring or annoying.
- 6 We _____ (spend) a lot of time together, but now we hardly ever see each other.
- 7 He _____ (speak) a foreign language, but he started going to Spanish lessons last year.
- 8 My grandad _____ (have) a lot of money, but he's quite rich now.