

ENGLISH GRAMMAR



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Used to + base verb

Use the modal **used to** when talking about past events that no longer occur.

Point 1: We often use **used to** when asked about present activities.

(Q) Do you play golf?

(A) I **used to** play but not anymore. I don't have time.

(Q) Do you play any instruments?

(A) Not really. I **used to** play the guitar but not anymore.

Point 2: We often use the phrase **not anymore** to clarify that the action does not happen presently.

(Q) Do you cook much?

(A) Not anymore. I **used to** though.

(Q) Do you see your friend from school?

(A) Not really. We **used to** meet once a week but now we are too busy with life.

Point 3: In a Yes/No question, we can omit the verb and reply by with just **used to** followed by **but** and a reason.

(Q) Do you study French?

(A) I **used to** but I gave up.

(Q) Do you you and your family travel much?

(A) We **used to** but now we don't have time.



Task # 1.

Instructions: Listen to the next audio and then choose the correct answer.



- 1) The used to ride on the back of _____.
 - a) their parents
 - b) animals
 - c) a vehicle

- 2) Todd says they used to _____ their trash.
 - a) bury
 - b) burn
 - c) sell

- 3) She used to go to the _____.
 - a) dump
 - b) dock
 - c) dairy

- 4) They used to have commercials about _____.
 - a) driving safe
 - b) smoking cigarettes
 - c) burning trash

- 5) They used to store food in _____.
 - a) cans
 - b) jars
 - c) boxes



Task # 2

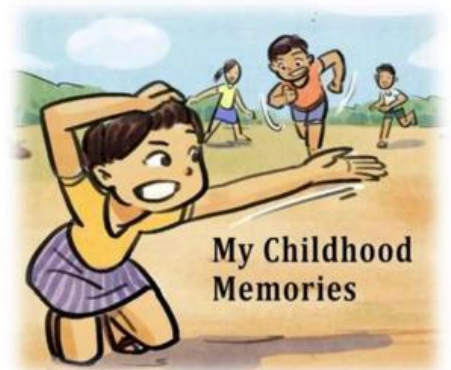
Instructions: Watch the video and then choose the correct answer.

Childhood memories

1. Based on the audio, the kids 'grandmother used to have_____.
 - A. long hair
 - B. short hair
 - C. wavy hair
 - D. straight hair

2. Based on the audio, the kids 'grandmother used to be_____.
 - A. shy and pretty
 - B. serious and ugly
 - C. playful and talkative
 - D. outgoing and smart

3. What did the grandmother use play? She used to play_____.
 - A. hopscotch
 - B. hide and sick
 - C. baseball and marbles
 - D. tag



4. What was another game grandmother used to play?
- A. Mom and Dads
 - B. leapfrog
 - C. tag
 - D. hoop rolling
5. What did the grandfather use play? He used to play_____.
- A. Chinese whispers
 - B. jumping rope
 - C. hopscotch
 - D. blind man´s buff
6. What did the grandfather use to do when people came to his house? He used to _____.
- A. say hi and welcome them
 - B. hide in the closet
 - C. hit them with a ball
 - D. cry a lot
7. What did the grandfather use to do in his neighborhood ? He would _____.
- A. walk around
 - B. break windows
 - C. ring door bells
 - D. ride his bike
8. What did the grandfather use to do ride ? He would ride_____.
- A. brave horses
 - B. cheap bicycles
 - C. wooden scooters
 - D. an expensive motorcycle

9. What did the grandfather use to make with paper? He would make_____.
- A. planes
 - B. boats
 - C. scooters
 - D. houses
10. What did the grandmother use to practice when she was a child? She would practice_____.
- A. karate
 - B. basketball
 - C. ballet
 - D. Spanish
11. What sport did the grandfather use to practice? He would practice_____.
- A. soccer
 - B. basketball
 - C. boxing
 - D. dodgeball
12. Based on the audio, children use to_____.
- A. hate their teachers
 - B. ignore their instructors
 - C. obey their teachers
 - D. cut classes
13. How did teachers use to punish naughty students? Teachers used to_____.
- A. hit their students with a ruler
 - B. give their students more homework
 - C. call students' parents
 - D. ask students to go out of the classroom

14. What kind of clothe did students use to wear? They used to wear_____.

- A. uniforms
- B. everyday clothe
- C. formal clothe
- D. a black hat

15. What did students use to do to have lunch? They used to _____.

- A. eat at the cafeteria
- B. ask for a delivery
- C. take their own food
- D. have lunch in the classroom

16. According to the audio, did students use to do homework?

- A. No, they didn't.
- B. Yes, they did. But it was ilegal.
- C. Sure, they used to do homework.
- D. Only on weekends



17. According to the audio, how did the grandmother use to go to scool? She used to_____.

- A. walk
- B. take the bus
- C. ride her bicycle
- D. take a taxi

18. According to the audio, how did the grandfather use to go to school? He used to_____.

- A. run
- B. go jogging
- C. go by bus
- D. walk

19. According to the audio, did the grandparents use to use a computer?
- A. Yes, but it was very old and slow.
 - B. No, they didn't.
 - C. Yes, they did.
 - D. No, they damaged it
20. Wow did the grandparents use to keep in touch with their friends? They_____.
- A. used to go to a phone booth.
 - B. used to write an e-mail.
 - C. didn't use to keep in touch with their friends.
 - D. didn't use to have many friends in town.
21. What exactly did the grandmother use to do in the evenings? She used to_____.
- A. study Japanese
 - B. watch TV
 - C. help her father in the farm
 - D. study English with teacher Marlon
22. What exactly did the grandparents use to eat when they were kids? She would eat_____.
- A. milk and chocolate
 - B. cheese and hamburgers
 - C. vegetables and fruits
 - D. pizza and hot dogs