Use *used to*, *get used to* and *be used to* to talk about habits.

1.6 GRAMMAR

1 Choose the correct alternative.

1 It used to **snow / snowing** every year, but now the winters aren't so cold.
2 When my dad worked in the city, he **wasn't used to / didn't use to** get home until about 8.00 p.m.
3 **Did you / Were you** used to play Minecraft when you were younger?
4 Amelia **is used to / used to** be frightened of water, but now she really enjoys swimming.
5 It rains a lot here, so I **am used to / used to** getting wet.
6 Where **are you / did you** use to live before you moved to this town?
7 Our new teacher gives us a lot of homework – I'm not **use to / used to** working so hard!
8 Felix has a long journey to school, so he's used to **do / doing** his homework on the bus.
9 I'm amazed that Jack goes running – he **didn't / wasn't** use to like exercise at all.
10 Thea's mum usually drives her to school – she **didn't use to / isn't used to** walking.

2 Complete the sentences with *use to* or *used to* and the words in brackets. Add any other necessary words.

Example:
(like / coffee) I *didn't use to like coffee*, but now I drink it every day.

1 (walk / to school) Amol _____, but now he cycles.
2 (like / social media) My dad _____, but now he uses it all the time.
3 (hate / vegetables) Ade _____, but now he really loves them.
4 Emma's parents both work long hours, so she is (be / at home alone) _____.
5 (speak / in public) I _____, so I'm quite nervous about giving a talk to the class.
6 (live / the city) We _____, but we moved to this small town two years ago.
7 (speak / English) They _____ because they go to an international school.
8 (understand / maths) Sara _____, but now she has a really good teacher.

3 1.05 Lara (L) is asking her grandma (G) about her childhood. Complete the questions and answers from their conversation using the correct form of *used to*. Then listen and check.

L Where [1]_____ live when you were a girl, Grandma?
G We [2]_____ on a farm in the country.
L [3]_____ walk to school?
G No, we [4]_____ walk. We [5]_____ get the bus.
L What [6]_____ wear to school?
G I [7]_____ wear a uniform to school. We [8]_____ wear jeans or trainers like you do now.
L [9]_____ have a mobile phone?
G No, I didn't. And we [10]_____ have social media when I was your age.
L What? So how [11]_____ talk to your friends?
G Believe it or not, we [12]_____ talk to each other face to face!

4 Complete the sentences with the correct form of *be used to* or *get used to*.

1 Moving the city was hard at first, but we _____ living there now.
2 Rory didn't like his new smartphone at first, but he _____ it now.
3 It's difficult starting a new school, but you will _____ it after a few weeks.
4 Travelling by train was a new experience for them – they _____ using public transport.
5 Samira loved the food in Japan, but she never _____ eating with chopsticks.
6 Nick _____ early mornings – he never gets up before 8.00 a.m.
7 Have you _____ the new timetable yet?
8 Studying in a second language was hard at first, but I _____ it now.

5 Complete the blog post with the phrases below.

didn't use to | 'm getting used to | got used to | 'll get used to | 'm used to | 'm not used to | used to (x3)

I've just moved to New York to study – I'm sharing a tiny apartment with my new roommate, Tonia. It wasn't easy at first, but I [1]_____ it (slowly!). At home I [2]_____ have my own room and I [3]_____ studying with someone else around. What's nice is that we often cook together. I [4]_____ cooking for myself – I often [5]_____ cook for the family at home. However, I [6]_____ shop for food because my parents always did that. To be honest, I haven't [7]_____ life in the big city yet. I [8]_____ live in a small town and it was very quiet. The city is so busy, and you can hear the traffic all the time, even at night. I'm sure I [9]_____ the noise after a while, though.

6 Complete the sentences so that they are true for you.

1 When I was younger I used to _____ _____, but now I _____ _____.
2 When I was younger I didn't use to _____ _____, but now I _____ _____.
3 I am (not) used to _____ because _____.
4 If I _____ in the future, I'll have to get used to _____.