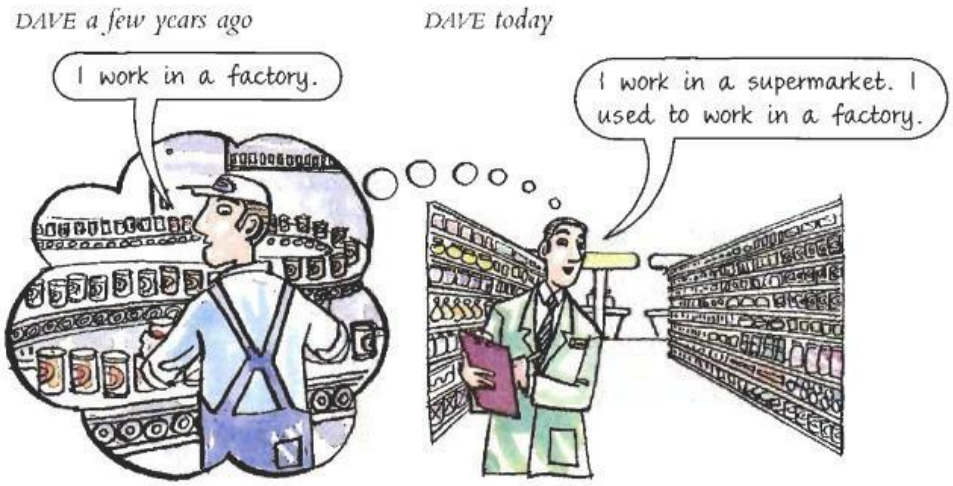
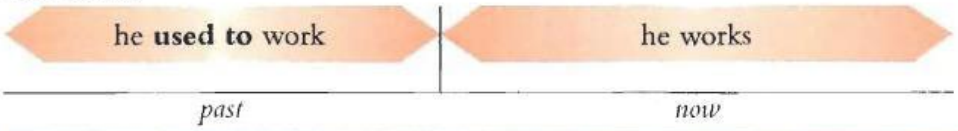
# Unit 36 I used to ...

**A**




Dave **used to work** in a factory. Now he **works** in a supermarket.

Dave **used to work** in a factory = he worked in a factory before, but he doesn't work there now:




**B**

You can say **I used to work** ... / **she used to have** ... / **they used to be** ... etc. :

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| I/you/we/they<br>he/she/it | **used to** | **be**<br>**work**<br>**have**<br>**play** etc. |

- ☐ When I was a child, I **used to like** chocolate.
- ☐ I **used to read** a lot of books, but I don't read much these days.
- ☐ Liz has got short hair now, but it **used to be** very long.
- ☐ They **used to live** in the same street as us, so we **used to see** them a lot. But we don't see them very often these days.
- ☐ Helen **used to have** a piano, but she sold it a few years ago.

The negative is **I didn't use to** ... :

- ☐ When I was a child, I **didn't use to like** tomatoes.

The question is **did you use to** ... ?:

- ☐ Where **did** you **use to live** before you came here?

**C**

We use **used to** ... only for the past. You cannot say 'I use to ...' for the present:

- ☐ I **used to play** tennis. These days I **play** golf. (*not* I use to play golf)
- ☐ We usually **get** up early. (*not* We use to get up early)



by → Units 21, 63, 109 at/on → Units 103, 106–107 preposition + -ing → Unit 112

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**36.1 Look at the pictures. Complete the sentences with used to ... .**

1


She used to have long hair.

2


He ..... football.

3


..... a taxi driver.

4


..... in the country.

5


.....

6


This building .....

**36.2 Karen works very hard and has very little free time. A few years ago, things were different.**

**Karen a few years ago**

| | |
|---|---|
| Do you do any sport? | Yes, I swim every day and I play volleyball. |
| Do you go out much? | Yes, most evenings. |
| Do you play a musical instrument? | Yes, the guitar. |
| Do you like reading? | Yes, I read a lot. |
| Do you travel much? | Yes, I go away two or three times a year. |

**Karen now**

**Write sentences about Karen with used to ... .**

1 She used to swim every day.
2 She .....
3 .....
4 .....
5 .....
6 .....

**36.3 Complete these sentences. Use used to or the present simple (I play / he lives etc.).**

1 I used to play tennis. I stopped playing a few years ago.
2 'Do you do any sport?' 'Yes, I play basketball.'
3 'Have you got a car?' 'No, I ..... one, but I sold it.'
4 George ..... a waiter. Now he's the manager of a hotel.
5 'Do you go to work by car?' 'Sometimes, but most days I ..... by train.'
6 When I was a child, I never ..... meat, but I eat it now.
7 Mary loves watching TV. She ..... TV every evening.
8 We ..... near the airport, but we moved to the city centre a few years ago.
9 Normally I start work at 7 o'clock, so I ..... up very early.
10 What games ..... you ..... when you were a child?



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# Unit 37 there is there are

## A

**There's** a man on the roof.

**There's** a train at 10.30.

SUNDAY
MONDAY
TUESDAY
WEDNESDAY
THURSDAY
FRIDAY
SATURDAY

7

**There are** seven days in a week.

*singular*

| | |
|---|---|
| **there is** ... | (**there's**) |
| **is there** ... ? | |
| **there is not** ... | (**there isn't** *or* **there's not**) |

- ☐ **There's** a big tree in the garden.
- ☐ **There's** nothing on TV tonight.
- ☐ A: Have you got any money?
  B: Yes, **there's** some in my bag.
- ☐ A: Excuse me, **is there** a hotel near here?
  B: Yes, **there is**. / No, **there isn't**.
- ☐ We can't go skiing. **There isn't** any snow.

*plural*

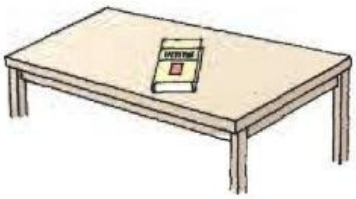
| | |
|---|---|
| **there are** ... | |
| **are there** ... ? | |
| **there are not** ... | (**there aren't**) |

- ☐ **There are** some big trees in the garden.
- ☐ **There are** a lot of accidents on this road.
- ☐ A: **Are there** any restaurants near here?
  B: Yes, **there are**. / No, **there aren't**.
- ☐ This restaurant is very quiet. **There aren't** many people here.
- ☐ How many players **are there** in a football team?
- ☐ **There are** 11 players in a football team.

## B

**there is** and **it is**

**there is**



**There's** a book on the table.
(*not* It's a book on the table.)

**it is**

I like **this book**. **It's** interesting.
(**It** = this book)

Compare:

- ☐ 'What's **that noise**?' '**It**'s a train.' (**It** = that noise)
  **There's** a train at 10.30. **It**'s a fast train. (**It** = the 10.30 train)
- ☐ **There's** a lot of salt in this soup.
  I don't like **this soup**. **It**'s too salty. (**It** = this soup)



there was / were / has been etc. → Unit 38 it and there → Unit 39 some and any → Unit 76

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**37.1 Kentham is a small town. Look at the information in the box and write sentences about Kentham with There is/are or There isn't/aren't.**

| | |
|---|---|
| 1 a castle? | No |
| 2 any restaurants? | Yes (a lot) |
| 3 a hospital? | Yes |
| 4 a swimming pool? | No |
| 5 any cinemas? | Yes (two) |
| 6 a university? | No |
| 7 any big hotels? | No |

1 There isn't a castle.
2 There are a lot of restaurants.
3 .....
4 .....
5 .....
6 .....
7 .....

**37.2 Write sentences about your town (or a town that you know). Use There is/are or There isn't/aren't.**

1 There are a few restaurants.
2 There's a big park.
3 .....
4 .....
5 .....
6 .....

**37.3 Write there is / there isn't / is there or there are / there aren't / are there.**

1 Kentham isn't an old town. There aren't any old buildings.
2 Look! ..... a photograph of your brother in the newspaper!
3 'Excuse me, ..... a bank near here?' 'Yes, at the end of the street.'
4 ..... five people in my family: my parents, my two sisters and me.
5 'How many students ..... in the class?' 'Twenty.'
6 The road is usually very quiet. ..... much traffic.
7 ..... a bus from the city centre to the airport?' 'Yes, every 20 minutes.'
8 ..... any problems?' 'No, everything is OK.'
9 ..... nowhere to sit down. ..... any chairs.

**37.4 Write sentences with There are ... . Choose from the boxes.**

| | |
|---|---|
| ~~seven~~ | twenty-six |
| eight | thirty |
| fifteen | fifty |

| | |
|---|---|
| letters | ~~days~~ |
| players | days |
| planets | states |

| | |
|---|---|
| September | the solar system |
| the USA | ~~a week~~ |
| a rugby team | the English alphabet |

1 There are seven days in a week.
2 .....
3 .....
4 .....
5 .....
6 .....

**37.5 Write there's / is there or it's / is it.**

1 'There's a train at 10.30. 'Is it a fast train?'
2 I'm not going to buy this shirt. ..... too expensive.
3 'What's wrong?' '..... something in my eye.'
4 ..... a red car outside your house. ..... yours?
5 '..... anything good on TV tonight?' 'Yes, ..... a film at 8.15.'
6 'What's that building?' '..... a school.'
7 '..... a restaurant in this hotel?' 'No, I'm afraid not.'



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# Unit 38 there was/were there has/have been there will be

## A there was / there were *(past)*

**There is** a train every hour.

The time now is 11.15.
**There was** a train at 11 o'clock.

Compare:

**there is/are** *(present)*

- **There is** a good film on TV tonight.
- We are staying at a very big hotel. **There are** 550 rooms.
- **Are there** any phone messages for me this morning?
- I'm hungry, but **there isn't** anything to eat.

**there was/were** *(past)*

- **There was** a good film on TV last night.
- We stayed at a very big hotel. **There were** 550 rooms.
- **Were there** any phone messages for me yesterday?
- I was hungry when I got home, but **there wasn't** anything to eat.

## B there has been / there have been *(present perfect)*

- Look! **There's been** an accident. (**there's been** = there **has** been)
- This road is very dangerous. **There have been** many accidents.

Compare **there was** *(past)*:

- **There was** an accident **last night**. (*not* There has been an accident last night.)

For past simple and present perfect, see Unit 20.

## C there will be

- Do you think **there will be** a lot of people at the party on Saturday?
- The manager of the company is leaving, so **there will be** a new manager soon.
- I'm going away tomorrow. I'll do my packing today because **there won't be** time tomorrow. (**there won't be** = there **will not** be)

was/were → Unit 10 has/have been → Units 15–18 will → Unit 27 there is/are → Unit 37
there and it → Units 37, 39 some and any → Unit 76



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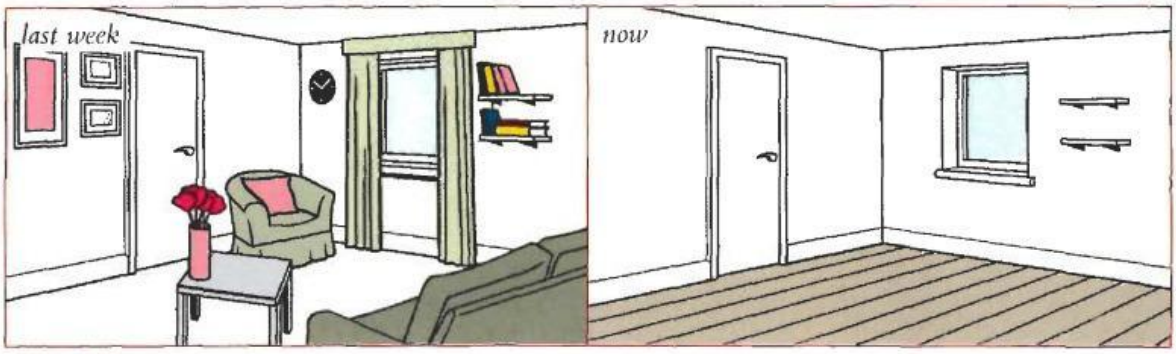
**38.1 Look at the two pictures. Now the room is empty, but what was in the room last week? Choose from the box and write sentences with There was ... or There were ... .**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| an armchair | a carpet | some flowers | a sofa |
| some books | ~~a clock~~ | three pictures | a small table |




1 There was a clock ..... on the wall near the window.
2 ..... on the floor.
3 ..... on the wall near the door.
4 ..... in the middle of the room.
5 ..... on the table.
6 ..... on the shelves.
7 ..... in the corner near the door.
8 ..... opposite the armchair.

**38.2 Write there was / there wasn't / was there or there were / there weren't / were there.**

1 I was hungry, but there wasn't anything to eat.
2 Were there any phone messages for me yesterday?
3 I opened the envelope, but it was empty. ..... nothing in it.
4 'We stayed at a very nice hotel.' 'Really? ..... a swimming pool?'
5 'Did you buy any eggs?' 'No, ..... any in the shop.'
6 The wallet was empty. ..... any money in it.
7 '..... many people at the meeting?' 'No, very few.'
8 We didn't visit the museum. ..... enough time.
9 I'm sorry I'm late. ..... a lot of traffic.
10 Twenty years ago ..... many tourists here. Now there are a lot.

**38.3 Write there + is / are / was / were / has been / have been / will be.**

1 There was a good film on TV last night.
2 ..... 24 hours in a day.
3 ..... a party at the club last Friday, but I didn't go.
4 'Where can I buy a newspaper?' '..... a shop at the end of the street.'
5 'Why are those policemen outside the bank?' '..... a robbery.'
6 When we arrived at the theatre, ..... a long queue outside.
7 When you arrive tomorrow, ..... somebody at the station to meet you.
8 Ten years ago ..... 500 children at the school. Now ..... more than a thousand.
9 Last week I went back to the town where I was born. It's very different now. ..... a lot of changes.
10 I think everything will be OK. I don't think ..... any problems.



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# Unit 39 It ...

## A

We use **it** for time/day/distance/weather:

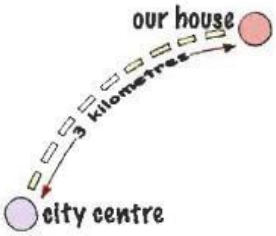
*time*

- What time is **it**?
- **It**'s half past ten.
- **It**'s late.
- **It**'s time to go home.

*day*

- What day is **it**?
- **It**'s Thursday.
- **It**'s 16 March.
- **It** was my birthday yesterday.

*distance*




- **It**'s three kilometres from our house to the city centre.
- How far is **it** from New York to Los Angeles?
- **It**'s a long way from here to the station.
- We can walk home. **It** isn't far.

We use **far** in questions (**is it far**?) and negatives (**it isn't far**). In positive sentences, we use **a long way** (**it's a long way**).

*weather*

- **It**'s raining. **It** isn't raining. Is **it** snowing?
- **It** rains a lot here. **It** didn't rain yesterday.
  Does **it** snow very often?
- **It**'s warm/hot/cold/fine/cloudy/windy/sunny/foggy/dark etc.
- **It**'s a nice day today.

Compare **it** and **there**:

- **It rains** a lot in winter.
  **There** is **a lot of rain** in winter.
- **It** was very **windy**.
  **There** was **a strong wind** yesterday.

## B

**It's nice to** ... etc.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| **It's** | easy / difficult / impossible / dangerous / safe<br>expensive / interesting / nice / wonderful / terrible etc. | **to ...** |

- **It**'s nice **to see you again**.
- **It**'s impossible **to understand her**.
- **It** wasn't easy **to find your house**.

## C

Don't forget **it**:

- **It**'s raining again. (*not* Is raining again)
- Is **it** true that you're going away? (*not* Is true that ...)



there is → Unit 37

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## 39.1 Write about the weather in the pictures. Use It's ... .

1 It's raining.
2 .....
3 .....
4 .....
5 .....
6 .....

## 39.2 Write it is (it's) or is it.

1 What time ...is it... ?
2 We must go now. ..... very late.
3 ..... true that Bill can fly a helicopter?
4 'What day ..... today? Tuesday?' 'No, ..... Wednesday.'
5 ..... ten kilometres from the airport to the city centre.
6 ..... possible to phone you at your office?
7 'Do you want to walk to the hotel?' 'I don't know. How far ..... ?'
8 ..... Lisa's birthday today. She's 27.
9 I don't believe it! ..... impossible.

## 39.3 Write questions with How far ... ?

1 (here / the station) How far is it from here to the station?
2 (the hotel / the beach) How .....
3 (New York / Washington) .....
4 (your house / the airport) .....

## 39.4 Write it or there.

1 The weather isn't so nice today. ...It... 's cloudy.
2 ...There... was a strong wind yesterday.
3 ..... 's hot in this room. Open a window.
4 ..... was a nice day yesterday. ..... was warm and sunny.
5 ..... was a storm last night. Did you hear it?
6 I was afraid because ..... was very dark.
7 ..... 's often cold here, but ..... isn't much rain.
8 ..... 's a long way from here to the nearest shop.

## 39.5 Complete the sentences. Choose from the boxes.

| it's | | | to | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | easy | dangerous | | work in this office | ~~get up early~~ |
| | ~~difficult~~ | nice | | visit different places | go out alone |
| | impossible | interesting | | see you again | make friends |

1 If you go to bed late, ...it's difficult to get up early... in the morning.
2 Hello, Jane. ..... . How are you?
3 ..... . There is too much noise.
4 Everybody is very nice at work. ..... .
5 I like travelling. ..... .
6 Some cities are not safe. ..... at night.



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Unit 40

# I am, I don't etc.

A

She isn't tired, but **he is**.
(**he is** = he is tired)

He likes tea, but **she doesn't**.
(**she doesn't** = she doesn't like tea)

In these examples, it is not necessary to repeat some words ('he is *tired*', 'she doesn't *like tea*').

You can use these verbs in the same way:

| |
|---|
| **am/is/are** |
| **was/were** |
| **have/has** |
| **do/does/did** |
| **can** |
| **will** |
| **might** |
| **must** |

- I haven't got a car, but my sister **has**. (= my sister has got a car)
- A: Please help me.
  B: I'm sorry. I **can't**. (= I can't help you)
- A: Are you tired?
  B: I **was**, but I'**m not** now. (= I was tired, but I'm not tired now)
- A: Do you think Jane will phone this evening?
  B: She **might**. (= she might phone)
- A: Are you going now?
  B: Yes, I'm afraid I **must**. (= I must go)

You *cannot* use **'m/'s/'ve** etc. *(short forms)* in this way. You must use **am/is/have** etc. :
- She isn't tired, but he **is**. (*not* ... but he's)

But you *can* use **isn't / haven't / won't** etc. (*negative* short forms):
- My sister has got a car, but I **haven't**.
- 'Are you and Jane working tomorrow?' 'I am, but Jane **isn't**.'

B

You can use **I am / I'm not** etc. after **Yes** and **No**:
- 'Are you tired?' 'Yes, I **am**. / No, I'**m not**.'
- 'Will Alan be here tomorrow?' 'Yes, he **will**. / No, he **won't**.'
- 'Is there a bus to the airport?' 'Yes, there **is**. / No, there **isn't**.'

C

We use **do/does** for the *present simple* (→ Units 6-7):
- I don't like hot weather, but Sue **does**. (= Sue likes hot weather)
- Sue works hard, but I **don't**. (= I don't work hard)
- 'Do you enjoy your work?' 'Yes, I **do**.'

We use **did** for the *past simple* (→ Unit 12):
- A: Did you and Chris enjoy the film?
  B: I **did**, but Chris **didn't**. (= I enjoyed it, but Chris didn't enjoy it)
- 'I had a good time.' 'I **did** too.' (= I enjoyed it too)
- 'Did it rain yesterday?' 'No, it **didn't**.'



have you? / don't you? etc. → Unit 41 so am I / neither do I etc. → Unit 42

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# Exercises

## Unit 40

### 40.1 Complete these sentences. Use only one verb (is/have/can etc.) each time.

1 Kate wasn't hungry, but we ....were.... .
2 I'm not married, but my brother ..... .
3 Bill can't help you, but I ..... .
4 I haven't seen the film, but Tom ..... .
5 Karen won't be here, but Chris ..... .
6 You weren't late, but I ..... .

### 40.2 Complete these sentences with a negative verb (isn't/haven't/can't etc.).

1 My sister can play the piano, but I ....can't.... .
2 Sam is working today, but I ..... .
3 I was working, but my friends ..... .
4 Mark has been to China, but I ..... .
5 I'm ready to go, but Tom ..... .
6 I've got a key, but Sally ..... .

### 40.3 Complete these sentences with do/does/did or don't/doesn't/didn't.

1 I don't like hot weather, but Sue ....does.... .
2 Sue likes hot weather, but I ....don't.... .
3 My mother wears glasses, but my father ..... .
4 You don't know Paul very well, but I ..... .
5 I didn't enjoy the party, but my friends ..... .
6 I don't watch TV much, but Peter ..... .
7 Kate lives in London, but her parents ..... .
8 You had breakfast this morning, but I ..... .

### 40.4 Complete the sentences. Write about yourself and other people.

1 I didn't ....go out last night, but my friends did.....
2 I like ....., but .....
3 I don't ....., but .....
4 I'm .....
5 I haven't .....

### 40.5 Put in a verb, positive or negative.

1 'Are you tired?' 'I ....was.... earlier, but I'm not now.'
2 Steve is happy today, but he ..... yesterday.
3 The post office isn't open yet, but the shops ..... .
4 I haven't got a telescope, but I know somebody who ..... .
5 I would like to help you, but I'm afraid I ..... .
6 I don't usually go to work by car, but I ..... yesterday.
7 A: Have you ever been to the United States?
B: No, but Sandra ..... . She went there on holiday last year.
8 'Do you and Chris watch TV a lot?' 'I ....., but Chris doesn't.'
9 I've been invited to Sam's wedding, but Kate ..... .
10 'Do you think Sarah will pass her driving test?' 'Yes, I'm sure she .....'
11 'Are you going out tonight?' 'I ..... . I don't know for sure.'

### 40.6 Answer these questions about yourself. Use Yes, I have. / No, I'm not. etc.

1 Are you American? ....No, I'm not.....
2 Have you got a car? .....
3 Do you feel OK? .....
4 Is it snowing? .....
5 Are you hungry? .....
6 Do you like classical music? .....
7 Will you be in Paris tomorrow? .....
8 Have you ever broken your arm? .....
9 Did you buy anything yesterday? .....
10 Were you asleep at 3 a.m.? .....



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