

USE TO + VERB IN PRESENT

“Used To” represents a habit or something that we were accustomed to doing in the past that we don’t do anymore in the present time. Notice that the verb that follows “used to” is in infinitive form.

Examples:

I **used to** study German. (but I am not studying German at the present time)

She **used to** come to class late every day, but now she’s always on time.

My parents **used to** take me to restaurants all the time, but now we eat at home.

He **used to** smoke two packs of cigarettes a day, but now he doesn’t smoke at all.

They **used to** come to New York for Christmas every year, but now they go to London.

My friends and I **used to** go to the park after school, but now we go to the library instead.

Peter **used to** go out a lot, but he stopped since he got married.

My father **used to** travel all over the world when he was in the Navy. Ricky

used to fall asleep at work, but now he stays awake his whole shift. There

used to be a lot of birds in the park, but they have stopped coming.

For the questions we have to use “did” because the verb is in the past.

Examples:

Question: What did you use to do when you went to the beach?

Answer: I used to watch the girls walk by.

Question: Where did you use to go when you were a child?

Answer: I used to go hiking and I used to go fishing and sometimes I used to go camping with my family.

Question: What time did you use to get home after you went to the discos?

Answer: I used to get home at four in the morning because we used to go and eat at a restaurant after the disco bar closed.



Chose the correct form of the verb that follows “Used To”. Follow the example.

I used to _____ at night, but now go to school in the morning.

- a. studying b. **study** c. studied

1. I used to _____ sailing every summer.

- a. going b. go c. went

2. They used to _____ late for school, but not anymore.

- a. came b. coming c. come

3. My friend used to _____ two packs a day, but he quit last year.

- a. smoke b. smoking c. smoked

4. When I was in college I used to _____ two roommates.

- a. had b. have c. having

5. She used to _____ overtime almost every week.

- a. work b. working c. worked

6. My friend used to _____ a lot, but he is on a diet now.

- a. eating b. ate c. eat

7. Fifty years ago, winter used to _____ colder than what it is now.

- a. is b. be c. being

8. I didn't use to _____ that much when I lived by myself.

- a. drank b. drink c. drinking

9. Sheila used to _____ my best friend.

- a. is b. being c. be

10. When I was a little boy, I used to _____ video games a lot.

- a. Play b. played c. playing

11. We used to _____ our relatives in New York every year, but now we don't travel that much.

- a. visit b. visiting c. visited

12. Peter and Sheila used to _____ in love with each other.

- a. be b. being c. are

13. Who used to _____ the best student in your 12th grade class?

- a. was b. is c. be

14. My father used to _____ me fishing with him until I was 14 years old.

- a. taken b. taking c. take

15. What time did you use to _____ up to go to school?

- a. got b. get c. getting