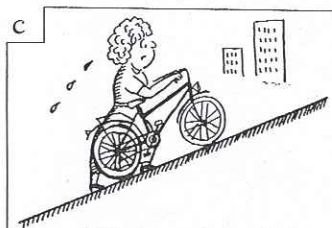


Used to 1

used to do and get used to doing

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The problem

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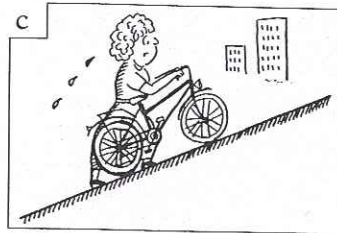
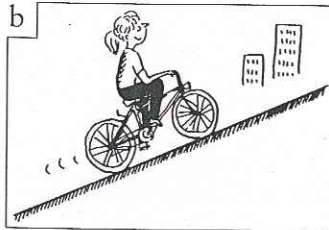
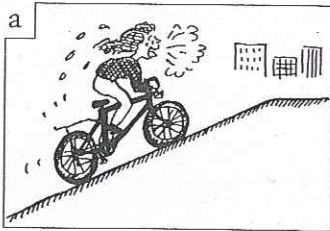
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| <p>6 'I hear you've gone back to university. How is it?'</p> | <p>'I'm enjoying the life, but after all this time I _____'</p> | <p>You haven't studied for years.</p> |
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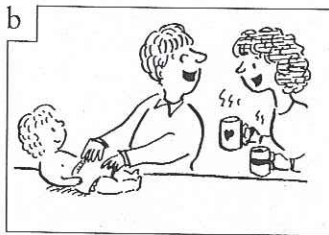
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Used to 2

used to do and get used to doing

A Match the beginning of each sentence with its ending, a or b.

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| 1 I'm used to driving on the left | a) when I lived in England several years ago. |
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| 3 I was used to cycling to work | a) because I did it every day. |
| 4 I used to cycle to work | b) but I use the car all the time these days. |
| 5 I used to go to bed late | a) and I can always get up early the next day. |
| 6 I'm used to going to bed late | b) but I haven't got enough energy these days. |
| 7 I was used to living in a small house | a) because I'd never lived in a big one. |
| 8 I got used to living in a small house | b) when I was living in Japan. |
| 9 I got used to the cold | a) after I'd been here for a few months. |
| 10 I'm used to the cold | b) because I come from Siberia. |
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| 12 I'm used to an open fire | b) because I've got used to it living here. |

B Match each expression on the left with its correct meaning on the right.

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| 4 <i>I'll get used to it</i> means | d) I wasn't used to it at first, but now I am. |
| 5 <i>I've got used to it</i> means | e) I'm not used to it now, but I will be. |

C Match each sentence beginning on the left with its correct ending on the right.

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| 2 I'm used to | b) eat rice every day but now I eat pasta mostly. |
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| 4 I'll get used to | d) eating rice every day when I lived in Japan last year. |

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get used to	+	noun	(for example, <i>computers</i>)

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- 3 be used to + noun
- 4 get used to + verb-ing
- 5 get used to + noun

used to

- **used to** is a tense indicating something that happened regularly in the past but doesn't happen now:
I used to smoke. (= I don't smoke now)
She used to work for the BBC. (= she doesn't work for the BBC now)
He didn't use to like me. (= he likes me now)

FORM

used to + infinitive
She used to live here.
I used to smoke.

NOTES

- * The negative is **didn't use to + infinitive**
She didn't use to smoke.

- * The question form is **did + subject + use to + infinitive?**
Did you use to live here?

- * The question and negative forms are not used very often.

77a Write these sentences, putting one verb into the correct form of **used to** and the other into the *past simple*:

- 1 I (smoke), but I (give it up) last year.
I used to smoke, but I gave it up last year.
- 2 I (not like) him, but then I (change) my mind.
I didn't use to like him, but then I changed my mind.
- 3 He (live) in London before he (go) abroad.
He (live) in London before he (go) abroad.
- 4 I (earn) a lot of money, but then I (lose) my job.
I'm surprised that they (join) the tennis club. They (not like) tennis.
- 5 I'm surprised that they (join) the tennis club. They (not like) tennis.
(you travel) a lot before you (get) this job?
- 6 (you travel) a lot before you (get) this job?
- 7 I (work) in a factory before I (become) a teacher.
- 8 She (drive) a lot before she (have) the accident.
That old radio (work) before I (drop) it.
- 9 That old radio (work) before I (drop) it.
- 10 We (see) them every week, but then we (have) an argument.
- 11 I (work) in a restaurant before I (go) to college.
- 12 She (play) a lot of tennis before she (break) her leg.
- 13 We (have) a garden, but then we (move) to a different house.
- 14 She (live) in Wales, but then she (move) back to Scotland.
- 15 I (drive) a lorry before I (start) this business.

77b There is another construction: **I'm used to + gerund**: **to be used to** doing something = to be in the habit of, to be accustomed to:

I'm used to working at night. (= working at night is a normal activity for me)

- * Note the difference in meaning:

I'm used to working at night. (= it is normal for me to do this)
I used to work at night. (= I often worked at night, some time ago)

Write these sentences, choosing the correct form of **used to** or **be used to**:

- 1 (I'm used to / I used to) live in London, but I moved.
I used to live in London, but I moved.
- 2 (They're used to / They used to) cooking for themselves when they get home from school.
They're used to cooking for themselves when they get home from school.
- 3 Do you remember how (we used to / we're used to) listen to music all the time?
- 4 (Were you used to / Did you use to) spend hours in front of the mirror when you were young?
- 5 (I'm not used to / I didn't use to) eating this sort of food.
- 6 (This is used to / This used to) be an industrial area.
- 7 (I'm used to / I used to) earn more when I was a teenager than I do now.

- 8 The children (didn't use to / aren't used to) going to bed so late.
- 9 (I'm not used to / I didn't use to) driving on the left.
- 10 (I used to / I'm used to) walk to work when I was younger.
- 11 (I didn't use to / I wasn't used to) like classical music.
- 12 (I'm not used to / I didn't use to) getting up so early.
- 13 (I didn't use to / I wasn't used to) having so much exercise.
- 14 (They used to / They were used to) take the children to school for us before their car broke down.
- 15 (We're used to / We used to) see each other every day.

ANSWERS

Exercise 77a

- 1 used to smoke ... gave it up 2 didn't use to like him ... changed
- 3 used to live ... went 4 used to earn ... lost 5 joined ... didn't use to like
- 6 Did you use to travel ... got 7 used to work ... became 8 used to drive ... had
- 9 used to work ... dropped 10 used to see ... had 11 used to work ... went
- 12 used to play ... broke 13 used to have ... moved 14 used to live ... moved
- 15 used to drive ... started

Exercise 77b

- 1 I used to live 2 They're used to cooking 3 we used to listen 4 Did you use to spend
- 5 I'm not used to eating 6 This used to be 7 I used to earn 8 The children aren't used to going
- 9 I'm not used to driving 10 I used to walk 11 I didn't use to like 12 I'm not used to getting
- 13 I wasn't used to having 14 They used to take 15 We used to see