

USED TO

ACTIVITY TYPE

Reading, Writing, Grammar,
Exercises

LANGUAGE FOCUS

the USED TO form

AIM

To learn and practice the USED
TO form

LEVEL

Intermediate, Advanced

TIME

45 Min

INTRODUCTION

After going through your regular review and teacher talk, tell the students that they're going to learn the USED TO form in English

PREPARATION

Make one copy of the worksheet for each student

PROCEDURE

Give one copy of the worksheet to each student.
Go through the grammar and exercises together.

WRAPUP

Ask the students if they have any doubts.
Thank them for coming to the lesson.

Used to

FORM Used to

[USED TO] + [verb]

EXAMPLES:

I used to go to the beach everyday.

USE 1 Habit in the Past

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Past	Present	Future

"Used to" expresses the idea that something was an old habit that stopped in the past. It says that something was often repeated in the past, but it is not usually done now.

EXAMPLES:

Jerry used to study English.

Sam and Mary used to go to Mexico in the summer.

I used to start work at 9 o'clock.

Christine used to eat meat, but now she is a vegetarian.

USE 2 Past Fact



"Used to" can also be used to talk about past facts or generalizations which are no longer true.

EXAMPLES:

I used to live in Paris.

Sarah used to be fat, but now she is thin.

George used to be the best student in class, but now Leena is the best.

Oranges used to cost very little in Florida, but now they are quite expensive.

ACTIVE / PASSIVE Used to

EXAMPLES:

Jerry used to pay the bills. ACTIVE

The bills used to be paid by Jerry. PASSIVE

Exercises

EXERCISE 1.

In this exercise you have to complete the sentence with **used to + verb**

e.g. When my granny was younger she used to travel a lot.

1. My mother in a factory when she was younger. Now she doesn't.
2. We to the cinema but now we prefer to stay home.
3. Now I have a big house but I..... in small flats when I was a student.
4. When I was a child I didn'tice-creams but now I love them.
5. When my brother was a teenager he 40 cigarettes a day.
6. Now I live in Italy but in the past Iin Spain.
7. My sister one book every day but now she has no time.

8. My neighbourtennis when she was young but know she doesn't feel like it.

9. When I was childvery shy but now I love meeting new people.

10. Now I live with my girlfriend but I with my parents before.

EXERCISE 2.

Complete the sentences using USED TO or THERE USED TO BE

e.g When I was a child I used to eat a lot of chocolates

1. Some years ago be lot of cinemas in the city.

2. When he was a child he be extremely shy.

3. Before this schoolbe a big bar.

4. My mothercook me delicious cakes.

5. When my father was younger, heplay tennis.