



# HABITS

**WAYS TO TALK ABOUT HABITS**



# USED TO

STATES

ACTIONS

- (1) I **used to spend** all evenings outdoors **when we had a house**.
- (2) I **used to like** bubble gum. **Not anymore**.

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## TASK

- Sort the verbs below into three categories (**state/action verbs/both**)

TO SEE TO UNDERSTAND TO BELIEVE TO LIKE TO PLAY TO HAVE TO THINK TO KNOW TO  
LOOK UP TO TO THANK TO BE TO MEET TO FEEL TO TALK TO HANG OUT WITH TO ALLOW

# WOULD

**ACTIONS ONLY!**

(1) I **would spend** all evenings outdoors **when we had a house.**

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## **TASK**

In the previous slide there was the sentence "I **used to like** bubble gum. **Not anymore.**"

Use this sentence to create a sentence with '**would**'. *Does the sentence make sense? What does it mean?*

- Post your own sentence with '**would**' and **an action verb** from parentheses. (**TO PLAY TO LOOK UP TO TO THANK TO MEET TO TALK TO HANG OUT WITH**)

# USED TO

DECLARATIVE

NEGATIVE

INTERROGATIVE

- (1) I **used to jog** every morning before getting a membership with a gym.
- (2) I **didn't use to spend** all evenings outdoors **when we had a house**.
- (3) What **did** you **use to like** but **don't like anymore**?

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## TASK

- Choose one verb from the list below and create (1) one **declarative**, (2) one **negative** and (3) one **interrogative** sentence.

TO PLAY   TO LOOK UP TO   TO THANK   TO MEET   TO TALK   TO HANG OUT WITH  
TO SEE   TO THINK   TO HAVE   TO FEEL  
TO BE   TO UNDERSTAND   TO KNOW   TO LIKE   TO BELIEVE

# CAREFUL!

- Do not use 'used to' or 'would' for things that happened only once or when we say how many times they happened
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(1) I ~~would go~~ / ~~used to go~~ / **went to** the gym only once. Then we all went into a lockdown.

(2) They ~~used to see~~ / ~~would see~~ / **saw** The Fifth Element three times.

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## TASK

- Create one sentence that mentions how many times you did something in the past.

# NO LONGER

- Use 'no longer' before a positive verb or after 'be'.
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(1) I **no longer go** to the gym. *They all closed down because of the pandemic.*

(2) I **am no longer** upset. *I can workout at home with an online instructor.*

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## TASK

- Create your own sentences with

**to be + no longer**

**no longer + positive verb**

# ANYMORE

- Use 'anymore' at the end of the sentence with a negative verb.
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(1) We **don't go** to the gym **anymore**. *They all closed down because of the pandemic.*

(2) I **am not** upset **anymore**. *I can workout at home with an online instructor.*

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## TASK

- Create your own sentence with

**negative verb + anymore**



# TO BE USED TO

- Use **'be used to'** to talk about some habit that you have already acquired.

*\*Make sure you use gerunds or nouns in this construction.*

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- (1) I **am used to** online classes. *This is the only kind of class we had last spring.*
- (2) I **am used to** having 5 classes every day, *though at first it was punishing.*
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## TASK

- Create your own sentence with

**to be + used to + noun**

**to be + used to + gerund**



# TO GET USED TO

- Use 'get used to' to talk about some habit that you are in the process of acquiring or acquired in the past (with past tenses or present perfect).

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(1) I **am getting used to** **having** lessons online. I **used to** **hate** them.

(2) I **got used to** **our new house** **shortly after we moved in**.

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## TASK

- Create your own sentence with

**to get + used to + noun**

**to get + used to + gerund**