

# PAST TENSE

Habits and repeated actions

▪ 1 the / you / binge-sleep / weekend / Did / at ?

▪ 2 night / How / last / hours / sleep / you / many / did ?

▪ 3 morning / always / you / in / Do / sleepy / the / feel ?

# PRESENT AND PAST SIMPLE

Use Present Simple and Past Simple to describe:

- General truths and facts: *Shakespeare wrote not only plays, but also many verses.*
- Permanent situations: They live in Dubai.
- States: *It belonged to the family of aristocrats.*
- How often things happen: *He went on holiday twice a year.*

Use Past Simple to describe

- A **single** completed action or a past situation: *She called you on the phone.*
- An action or actions happened **at a certain time** in the Past: *They moved to Brazil last year.*

# 'USED TO' FOR PAST HABITS

- Used to/Past Simple are used to talk about past habits, situations or actions that happened regularly in the past but **no longer happen**.
- She used to walk to work but now she cycles.
- They visited their relatives on Saturdays (but now they don't).
- We used to buy tickets in the box office.
- Did they use to buy tickets in the box office?
- He didn't use to buy tickets in the box office. He bought them online.
- I never used to buy tickets online.

# USED TO

1 Use 'used to' and make sentences:

- I did yoga once a week.
- I slept on the floor.
- We went hiking every weekend.

2 Make those sentences questions (Did you use to...?)

3 Make the sentences negative ones (I didn't use to...)

# 'USED TO' FOR PRESENT HABITS

- Michael is used to getting up early, but I still suffer from a jetlag and I haven't got used to waking up at 5 am yet.
- You need to be used to remembering a lot of information, when you learn languages.
- I think she is not used to working from home. She has become too laid-back and isn't able to submit her reports on time.
- You had better get used to paying your rent on time, or I will find another tenant.

# WHAT ABOUT YOU?

Describe

1 something you used to like doing before but now you are not very interested

2 something you used to do quite often but now you don't it so frequently

3 something you are used to doing although it isn't much fun

4 something in the Lyceum you still haven't got used completely to doing yet

# 'WOULD' FOR PAST ACTIONS

- Use 'would do' for repeated actions or routines in the past:
- They would go to the dacha every weekend.

! The negative form isn't used for describing past repeated actions.

She wouldn't go to the dacha (Future-in –the-Past function).

! 'Would' doesn't go with Stative verbs like 'be, like, remember, belong...'

He would arrive late. NOT: ~~He would be late.~~

He used to like his job. NOT: ~~He would like his job.~~



# STATIVE VERBS IN ENGLISH

POSSESSION	SENSE	EMOTION		MENTAL STATE		OTHERS
• Have	• Sound	• Love	• Need	• Know	• Disagree	• Cost
• Own	• Hear	• Like	• Desire	• Believe	• Deny	• Measure
• Possess	• Smell	• Dislike	• Wish	• Doubt	• Promise	• Weigh
• Pack	• See	• Hate	• Hope	• Think	• Satisfy	• Owe
• Consist	• Look	• Adore	• Value	• Suppose	• Realise	• Seem
• Involve	• Taste	• Prefer		• Recognise	• Appear	• Fit
• Include	• Touch	• Care		• Forget	• Astonish	• Depend
• Contain	• Feel	• Mind		• Remember	• Please	• Matter
		• Want		• Imagine	• Impress	
		• Appreciate		• Mean	• Surprise	
				• Agree	• Concern	
				• Understand		



# PAST SIMPLE

- When we give a **period of time**, we use the Past Simple, not '*used to*' or '*would*':
  - He used to live on an island.
  - He lived on the island for six months.
  - NOT: ~~He used to live on the island for six months.~~
- ! Saying how many times we did something, we can use PS, or *used to*, or *would*.
  - **Compare:**
    - He used to do gym twice a week.
    - She read that book twice.
    - When I was young, I would play video games for hours.

# LET'S PRACTISE

Choose the correct option. In one of the sentences both answers are right.

1. In the past everything **used to/would** be cheaper.
2. When I was five, I **used to/would** not like to go the nursery school.
3. Once my friend **used to meet/met** a famous boxer.
4. My brother **used to live/lived** in France for a month.
5. We **didn't use to/wouldn't** wear a uniform at High school.
6. In the evening she **used to write/would** write in her diary.