

3 Choose the correct answers.

GRAMMAR

Present and past habits → (see page 109)

1 Complete the sentences with one word in each gap.

We didn't use to know what we were doing.

- When we were on holiday, we _____ often eat dinner in the garden.
- My brother is very lazy. He _____ never do his homework on time.
- Last summer, we _____ to swim to an island every day before breakfast.
- When we were young, we didn't _____ to understand our Science teacher.
- We aren't bad children but we _____ always getting told off by our parents.
- _____ you use to listen to pop music when you were young?
- When we were young, we _____ always looking for adventure.
- Our English teacher is great. He _____ always explain new grammar carefully and clearly.

2 Complete the sentences describing habits using the words from the box.

argue	borrow	complain	explain
forget	give	tell	

My sister is always complaining about her boyfriend, her teachers and her friends.

- My brother _____ my things without asking.
- My friends _____ about football.
- I _____ things.
- When I lived at home, my parents _____ me to tidy my room.
- Last year, our teacher _____ us surprise tests.
- My friend Anne _____ my Maths homework exercises to me whenever I ask her for help.

POLITICAL COMMENT

Tony Blair – then and now



When Tony Blair was young, was there any indication that he might, one day, be one of Britain's longest serving Prime Ministers?

At his public school, Tony Blair was always / *would always* challenging and breaking the rules. He ¹ *often used* / *would often* go to the pub with his friends and ² *would* / *used to* hate some of the, as he saw them, pointless and old-fashioned rules. He ³ *used* / *would* justify his opinions through clever and passionate debate.

At Oxford University, he formed a rock band, Ugly Rumours, with some other students. One of his fellow band members remembers that he ⁴ *was always being* / *used to* be confident, ambitious and charming and ⁵ *wouldn't do* / *wasn't doing* anything if it wasn't done well.

After graduating, with a degree in law, Tony Blair and his wife Cherie moved to Hackney in East London.

A friend and neighbour remembers that he ⁶ *used* / *was always* reading. He ⁷ *used to sit* / *was sitting* in the sun for hours at home or on holiday with a good book. He also ⁸ *would be* / *used to be* a real 'early bird' getting up at dawn while everyone else was asleep.

Today we can still see a lot of these characteristics in Tony Blair. He is still charming, ambitious and confident. He ⁹ *is still* / *will be* debating passionately and he ¹⁰ *will* / *would* still fight against rules and regulations that he sees as being wrong for today's society. The difference is that now people listen to him.

4 Complete the sentences using the words in capital letters so that they mean the same as the original sentences.

I had a lot of videos when I was younger but I've lost them.

(HAVE)

I **used to have** a lot of videos when I was younger but now I've lost them.

- 1 He never does anything to help us.
(WILL)
He _____
anything to help us.
- 2 Whenever we went on holidays, my parents always bought me icecream.
(WOULD)
My parents _____
me icecream when we went on holiday.
- 3 My friend talks on her mobile phone all the time.
(TALKING)
My friend _____
on her mobile phone.
- 4 Our teacher always used to give us extra homework for no reason.
(GIVING)
Our teacher _____
extra homework for no reason.
- 5 She stays in the bathroom for hours every morning.
(WILL)
She _____
in the bathroom for hours in the morning.
- 6 What did you do in the summer holidays when you were young?
(TO)
What _____
in the summer holidays when you were young?
- 7 My brother and I never argued about anything when we were young.
(USE)
My brother and I _____
about anything when we were young.
- 8 My father never admits that he is wrong.
(ADMIT)
My father _____
that he is wrong.

5 The following text is written in the Past Simple. For each of the verbs in bold (1–10), decide whether they could also take *used to* and *would*. Complete the table with the correct forms of *used to* and *would* where possible.

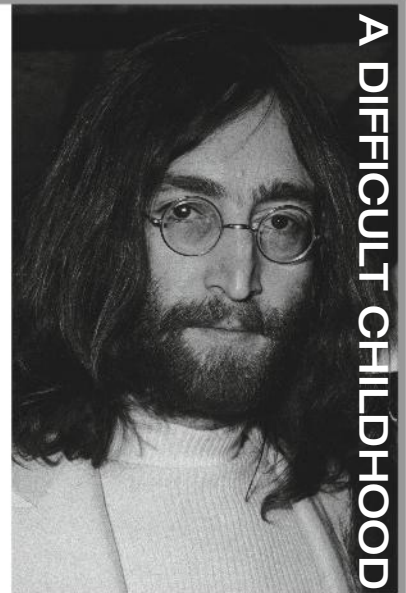
John Lennon was born at the beginning of the Second World War in Liverpool, an important port which was heavily bombed. His father was a sailor and so **didn't see** the family very often and, after the war, he ¹ **left** them.

John's mother ² **found** it difficult to look after John and go out to work so he often ³ **stayed** with his mother's older sister, his Aunt Mimi. Eventually, he ⁴ **moved** to his aunt's

permanently and grew up in a nice, semi-detached house in a good part of Liverpool.

When he was 15, he ⁵ **started** listening to rock'n'roll groups and decided to start his own group. They often ⁶ **played** small concerts and, at one of these, he met Paul McCartney. His aunt always ⁷ **told** him that he should concentrate on his school work but he ⁸ **didn't listen** to her which was lucky, as John and Paul went on to become the main songwriters in the Beatles, the most famous pop band of all time.

John's mother came back into his life when he was about 17 and he ⁹ **visited** her a lot because she ¹⁰ **liked** his music, unlike his aunt. Then, just as John's relationship with his mother was becoming very close, she was killed in an accident which affected John very badly and turned him into even more of a rebel.



	Text	Used to	Would
	<u>didn't see</u>	<u>didn't use to see</u>	X
1	left		
2	found		
3	stayed		
4	moved		
5	started		
6	played		
7	told		
8	didn't listen		
9	visited		
10	liked		