

Present Perfect and Past Perfect

⇒ Used to

"Used to" is a common English expression that is used to describe a past habit or state that is no longer true in the present.

Here are some key points to remember when using "used to" in English:

⇒ Formation of "used to" sentences:

- "Used to" is always followed by the base form of the verb (e.g. "I used to play basketball").
- In negative sentences, "used to" is followed by "not" (e.g. "I didn't use to like broccoli").
- In questions, "used to" is inverted with the subject (e.g. "Did you use to swim every day?").

⇒ Meaning and usage:

- "Used to" is used to talk about past habits or states that are no longer true in the present (e.g. "I used to smoke cigarettes, but I quit").
- It is often used to contrast past and present situations (e.g. "I used to live in a small town, but now I live in the city").
- "Used to" can also be used to describe a past event that occurred regularly or repeatedly (e.g. "We used to go camping every summer").

⇒ Examples:

- I used to eat a lot of junk food, but now I try to eat healthy.
- She used to live in France before moving to Canada.
- Did you use to play video games when you were younger?
- They didn't use to get along, but now they are good friends.

