

used to and would

1 Choose the correct option, A, B or C.

- 1 Where __ on holiday?
A they would go **B** would they go **C** they used to go
- 2 They __ the same place in Devon every year.
A use to visit **B** were used to visit **C** used to visit
- 3 __ to stay in a hotel there?
A Did they use **B** Did they used **C** Would they
- 4 No, they __ that – they preferred a B & B.
A used not to do **B** didn't used to do **C** didn't use to do
- 5 How __ their time there?
A they use to spend **B** would they spend **C** used to spend
- 6 They __ doing water sports, such as canoeing.
A used to like **B** would like **C** were use to like
- 7 'Has the place changed a lot?' 'Yes! It __ a lot of visitors.'
A wouldn't have **B** not use to have **C** didn't use to have
- 8 It __ much, much better!
A used to be **B** would be **C** would to be

2 Complete the text with the correct form of the words in brackets and the verbs in the box.

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My parents met at university in the 1990s. They ¹ _____ (used to) a lot of fun then! They ² _____ (used to) at home on Saturday night. They ³ _____ (would) to a disco and they ⁴ _____ (would) all night. My dad ⁵ _____ (used to) a punk! He had spiky hair and he ⁶ _____ (would) a black leather jacket and black boots all the time. My mum ⁷ _____ (used to) boring clothes like she does now. She ⁸ _____ (would) her own clothes, and they were in really bright colours. My parents used to be so cool! What happened to them?!

3 Choose one or two people in your family and write a paragraph about their lives when they were younger. Use *would* and *used to*. Look at Exercise 2 to help you.

Answer key

1

1 B

2 C

3 A

4 C

5 B

6 A

7 C

8 A

2

1 used to have

2 didn't use to stay

3 would go

4 would dance

5 used to be

6 would wear

7 didn't use to buy

8 would make

3

For a model answer, see the text in Exercise 2.