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GRAMMAR

used to

SHOW WHAT YOU KNOW

	Tick the sentences that describe routines. Choose the time expressions that show regularity.
	Alastair played computer games every evening

before bed.

1 Karen bought a new laptop last weekend.

2 Patricia and Matt called each other every Friday night.

3 Dean always watched football on Saturday afternoons.

Mary dropped her mobile phone down the toilet.

2 * When they went to university, two friends, Carl and Owen, moved into a student flat together. Write sentences about them with used to or didn't use to and the verbs in brackets.

When they lived with their parents ...

they <u>didn't use to eat</u> (eat) unhealthy food. Now they only eat kebabs and pizzas.

1 they _____ (do) any cleaning at home. They still don't do much and their flat is a mess.

2 their parents _____ (pay) the bills. Now they pay their own bills.

3 Carl ____ (use) his dad's computer. Now he uses Owen's.

4 Carl and Owen _____ (argue). Now they argue about the computer.

★ Write positive sentences (+), negative sentences
 (-) and questions (?) about mobile phones in 1983.
 Use the correct forms of used to from the box and the words above each line.

did didn't use to used to use to mobile phones / have cameras (?)

Did mobile phones use to have cameras?

1 mobile phones / cost a lot of money (+)

2 most normal people / own a mobile phone (-)

people / make fewer phone calls (+)

4 mobile phones / be bigger (?)

5 mobile phones / have touch screens (–)

6 mobile phones / send text messages (?)

4 ★★★ Tick the correct sentences. Sometimes both sentences are correct.

When I was in the Science club at school, ...

a we met every Thursday at 4 p.m.b we used to meet every Thursday at 4 p.m.

a we watched videos about great discoveries.b we used to watch videos about great discoveries.

3 a one week, a physicist came to speak to us.

b one week, a physicist used to come to speak to us.

4 a our group went on a trip to the Science Museum in London.

b our group used to go on a trip to the Science Museum in London.

5 a my friend Emma once gave a talk about the sun.

b my friend Emma once used to give a talk about the sun.

SHOW WHAT YOU'VE LEARNT

5 Complete the dialogue between Jodie and her dad with the correct forms of used to and the verbs in brackets.

J: Dad, <u>did you use to own</u> (you/own) a smartphone when you were my age?

D: Did I what?

J: 1_____ (you/use) a smartphone or a laptop when you were a teenager?

D: What?! No I didn't. I was 14 in ... er ... wait a minute ... in 1981. We ²______ (have) laptops back then.

J: So, how 3 _____ (check) your messages?

D: Jodie?! There were no messages or texts; no Facebook or anything. We 4_______ (send) letters or faxes.

J: I see. Wow ... Dad, what's a fax?

D: Er ... well ... it was a bit like a photocopier. You

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J: And then?

D: Well, then you 6_____ (dial) the number and wait. The machine er ... well ... it read the piece of paper and sent it to your friend.

J: What, the piece of paper?

D: What? No! Not the same piece of paper, Jodie – just the message.

J: I see. Wow.

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