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Reading (Reading)

<p>I used to stay up late at night. (I used to stay up late at night.)</p>	<p>We used to play basketball after school. (We used to play basketball after school.)</p>
<p>Alex used to be fat. (Alex used to be fat.)</p>	<p>They used to live there. (They used to live there.)</p>

<p>That place used to be a field. (That place used to be a field.)</p>	<p>There used to be military bases around here. (There used to be military bases around here.)</p>
<p>I didn't use to eat breakfast. (I didn't use to eat breakfast.)</p>	<p>I didn't use to swim very well. (I didn't use to swim very well.)</p>
<p>Japan didn't use to be a rich country. (Japan didn't use to be a rich country.)</p>	<p>This hotel didn't use to be famous. (This hotel didn't use to be famous.)</p>
<p>I never used to eat breakfast. (I never used to eat breakfast.)</p>	<p>I never used to swim very well. (I never used to swim very well.)</p>

Grammar focus (Grammar focus)

- ❖ "Used to" is used to describe a habit in the past or a situation in the past, that is no longer true/a fact in the present.

E.g.) I used to smoke. (I used to smoke.)

She used to be rich. (She used to be rich.)

There used to be a house here. (There used to be a house here.)

- ❖ To negate the sentence, we use "didn't use to" or "never used to"

E.g.) I didn't use to smoke. (I didn't use to smoke.)

I never used to smoke. (I never used to smoke.)

She didn't use to be rich. (She didn't use to be rich.)

There didn't use to be a house here. (There didn't use to be a house here.)

Speaking (Speaking)

- 1) He used to drink 3 cans of beer every day.
(He used to drink 3 cans of beer every day.)
- 2) There used to be a long tower here. (There used to be a long tower here.)
- 3) She used to be thin when she was in high school.
(She used to be thin when she was in high school.)
- 4) I used to have short hair. (I used to have short hair.)
- 5) Driving cars used to be a hobby only for rich people.
(Driving cars used to be a hobby only for rich people.)
- 6) I didn't use to have long hair. (I didn't use to have long hair.)
- 7) We didn't use to live in town. (We didn't use to live in town.)
- 8) This office didn't use to be noisy. (This office didn't use to be noisy.)
- 9) I never used to work in the evening. (I never used to work in the evening.)
- 10) My brother never used to like vegetables.
(My brother never used to like vegetables.)

Gap Filling (Gap Filling)

Fill in the blanks with the correct words.

1) She _____ dessert after every meal.

(She used to eat dessert after every meal.)

2) I _____ five times a day. (I didn't use to eat five times a day.)

3) I _____ French every day. (I used to study French every day.)

4) The building _____ the place to study history.

(The building used to be the place to study history.)

5) She _____ hate going to a church.

(She didn't use to hate going to a church.)

6) We _____ basketball every weekend.

(We used to play basketball every weekend.)

7) Our company _____ have enough property.

(Our company never used to have enough property.)

8) He _____ drive big cars. (He never used to drive big cars.)

9) Smartphones _____ be a device for anybody.

(Smartphones didn't use to be a device for anybody.)

Translating (Translating)

Translate these sentences into English.

- 1) I didn't use to study English online.
- 2) She used to be a friendly person.
- 3) Everybody used to have a dream to have a family.
- 4) This sea used to be a battlefield in the Second World War. (useful vocabulary: battlefield = battlefield)
- 5) There used to be many kinds of animals on Earth.
- 6) Jenny didn't use to drink alcohol anymore after she was hospitalized. (useful vocabulary: to be hospitalized = to be hospitalized)
- 7) The company didn't use to be so popular. (useful vocabulary: popular = popular)
- 8) John never used to like horror films.