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USED TO, BE USED TO, GET USED TO

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Within English grammar there can be some confusing points with relation to similar expressions (used to, be used to and get used to) for example. The best way to improve your understanding of these points is to put them into practical examples and also to review them in a consistent manner.

Let's look into the intricate differences between these points:

## PAST

**USED TO** = PAST HABITS/ROUTINES THAT ARE NO LONGER TRUE

*The conjugation of used to is simple as it does not change in the affirmative, but be careful with the negative and interrogative as the USED loses the D = USE TO*

I/YOU/HE/SHE/IT/THEY/WE **used to** + verb

*I used to play rugby in my free time (, but now I don't)*

I/YOU/HE/SHE/IT/THEY/WE **didn't use to** + verb

*I didn't use to get upset about problems at work (, but now I do)*

**Did** + I/YOU/HE/SHE/IT/THEY/WE **use to** + verb?

*Did you use to learn foreign languages in your free time?*



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## PRESENT

**USUALLY** = normally

*Check out our post about adverbs of frequency to use this effectively.*

*I **usually go** shopping once a week*

**BE USED TO** (ING) – be accustomed to

*To use this tense effectively, it is a simple question of conjugating the verb to be in the present. For instance; I am used to... You are used to... He/She/It is used to*

*I **am used to** shopping every day.*

*I **am not used to** working long hours.*

***Are you used to** getting your own way all the time?*

**USE TO** = does not exist

Instead we use **TEND TO** = I tend to get good grades on standardized tests.

## FUTURE

**(MODAL) GET USED TO** (ING) – become accustomed to

*I **will/could get used to** jogging in the mornings.*

*I **won't/couldn't get used to** living in a foreign country.*

***Could you get used to** speaking a foreign language on a daily basis?*