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## Explanations

We use ***used to*** when we describe a state or habit in the past.

### Statements

*I used to play tennis.*

<i>I used to play</i>	<i>he used to play</i>	<i>we used to play, etc.</i>
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### Negatives

*Sheila didn't use to play basketball.*

<i>I didn't use to play</i>	<i>she didn't use to play</i>	<i>we didn't use to play, etc.</i>
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### Questions

*Did they use to play football?*

<i>Did he use to play?</i>	<i>Did you use to play?</i>	<i>Did they use to play? etc.</i>
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- We often use ***used to*** to contrast a past habit with what we do now.
  - I used to have a motorbike when I was younger.* (past state)
  - I used to drink coffee, but now I drink tea.* (past habit)
- There is **no** present form of ***used to***.
  - I used to work in London, but now I work in Manchester.*
- The past simple is also possible in these examples, but ***used to*** is more common.
  - I had a motorbike when I was younger.*
  - I played tennis, but now I play football.*