



Where Do You Live?

We use 'used to' for something that happened regularly in the past but no longer happens.

For instance:

She used to smoke one pack a day, but she stopped a month ago.

They used to live in Spain when they were little children.

I used to drive to work but now I am taking the metro.

We use 'used to' for something that was true but no longer is

For instance:

I didn't used to like ice creams, but now I do.

In our town we used to have a cinema, but we don't anymore.

She used to have long black hair, but now she has short blonde hair.

In English 'used to do' is different from 'to be used to doing' and 'to get used to doing'

'to be used to doing' to show that something is normal, not unusual

For instance:

I'm used to traveling on my own, I've done it for a long time.

Sarah has lived in England for over a year. She is used to speaking fluent English.

In the mountains, people are used to having animals in their homes.

'to get used to doing' to talk about the process about something becoming normal for us

I don't understand the French language, but I am trying to get used to learning it

She has always lived in the country, but she starts to get used to living in the city

We started working at 6am and we're trying to get used to waking up early



And now a dialogue between Amanda and Barbara.

Where do you live?

Amanda and Barbara are used to working together

Amanda: Good afternoon. How are you?

Barbara: Hi, I am fine and you? Hope you are getting used to working here.

Amanda: Well, I am. I'm trying to get used to seeing new people and talking. I used to work in different places where I had been living before.

Barbara: Where do you live now?

Amanda: I live in London now. I have always lived in the country side, but now I'm trying to get used to living in the city. It is so big and crowded and you can meet a lot of international people and speak many languages.

Barbara: I am used to living in the country side too and I find it hard for me to move to the city as I am used to spending time after work in nature. I am also used to going out to walk the dog every evening. Living in the city is something I'll never think about.

Amanda: Where do your parents live?

Barbara: I live with my parents actually. I used to live with them and I feel ok with that. How about you?

Amanda: I live alone. I'm used to living alone as I have done for a long time. I often go visit my parents. They come visit me in the weekends sometimes.

Barbara: Well if you would like to spend sometimes in the country you can come and visit me, so we can go for a walk



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Amanda: Oh, sounds great. I would love that. Thank you so much for your invitation.

Barbara: You're welcome.