



USED TO & WOULD

USED TO

Use it to express past habits, regularly repeated actions in the past and past states.

- Sara used to travel a lot. Now she hardly ever leaves her neighbourhood. (past habit)
- When I was younger, I used to go to the dentist once every three months. (regularly repeated action)
- We used to have a dog. Now we have a cat. (state)

WOULD

Use it in the same way as used to, but don't use it with stative but action verbs only.

- We would go and play tennis every Sunday when we lived abroad.
- I would sleep till noon on Saturdays when I was younger.

NOT with STATIVE verbs:

- ✗ Tara would have a big car. (Tara used to have a big car.)
- ✗ My parents would be polite. (My parents used to be polite.)

1. Michael Jordan live in Brooklyn, N.Y.
2. When he was young, he often play basketball with his older brother.
3. He (not) play only basketball- he played football and baseball too.

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