G past and present habits and states V relationships P the letter s, used to

READING & LISTENING

- How do you think people usually meet friends and partners nowadays? Number the phrases 1–5 (1 = the most popular). Then compare with a partner. Do you agree?
 - A at work
 - B at school or college
 - C online (e.g., on dating apps, social networking sites, etc.)
 - D in a gym, club, etc.
 - E through friends
- Read the beginning of two stories that appeared on Instagram #thewaywemet. Where did Tiffany and Kristina meet their partners for the first time?
- Read the stories again. Write **T** (Tiffany) or **K** (Kristina).

The first time she met her partner, she...

- saw him from a distance.
- felt a little frightened.
- 3 had moved away from her hometown.
- had a problem with her health.
- was immediately attracted to him.
- felt that he didn't understand her.
- d What do you think happened to the two couples next? Go to Communication The way we met A p.107, B p.112. Find out what happened.
- Think of a couple you know well, e.g., your parents or friends. How did they meet? Do you know any couples who met in unusual circumstances?
- **GRAMMAR** past and present habits and states
- **5.15** Listen to John talking about how he met his partner. Where did they meet? Was it a romantic meeting?
- Listen again. Mark the sentences **T** (true) or **F** (false). Correct the F sentences.
 - 1 John was teaching English in Indonesia.
 - 2 His future wife was one of his students.
 - 3 She usually arrived for her classes on time.
 - 4 John was carrying a lot of things to class.
 - 5 She made him drop them.
 - 6 She helped him pick them up.
 - 7 They were friends for a long time before going out together.
 - 8 They've been married for ten years.

Tiffany's story

♥THE WAY WE MET

Three years ago, I stopped at the supermarket on my way home from work to get some food. After checking out, I walked out of the store and pressed the unlock button on my car keys to open my white Jeep Cherokee. But as I got closer, I noticed the rear door on the passenger's side was already open and there was a guy standing beside it. At first, I thought he was trying to steal my car, or rob me. But when I got a little closer, I noticed he was actually unloading his shopping bags into the car. I was scared. I went up to him nervously and said, "Um, hi." He said, "Hi," and looked at me in surprise while he continued to unload his bags. Then I said, "Um, this is my car." He laughed at me as if I was crazy and replied, "No, it isn't, it's mine." So I pressed the lock button on my car keys to show him that it was definitely my car. His face turned white.

Kristina's story

THE WAY WE MET

I came to New York to earn a master's degree in creative writing. Matt was a personal trainer, and he was studying for his doctorate in Chinese medicine at another university in New York. At the time, I used to do a lot of running - I'd run two marathons – and I started to get really bad back pain. I saw lots of doctors, and they all said different things, like "do yoga" and "maybe you need an operation." None of them knew what was wrong. The final one suggested acupuncture, so I thought I'd try it as a last resort. When I walked into the clinic for the session, I saw Matt. He was the acupuncturist. The moment we looked into each other's eyes, we connected. But he didn't ask me out; he was very professional. At my last session, I asked him how old he was. He said he'd be 29 the following week, but that he wasn't going to celebrate because he had to study.





c Look at three extracts from the listening. Answer the questions with a partner.

I used to be a teacher...

She didn't use to be very punctual...

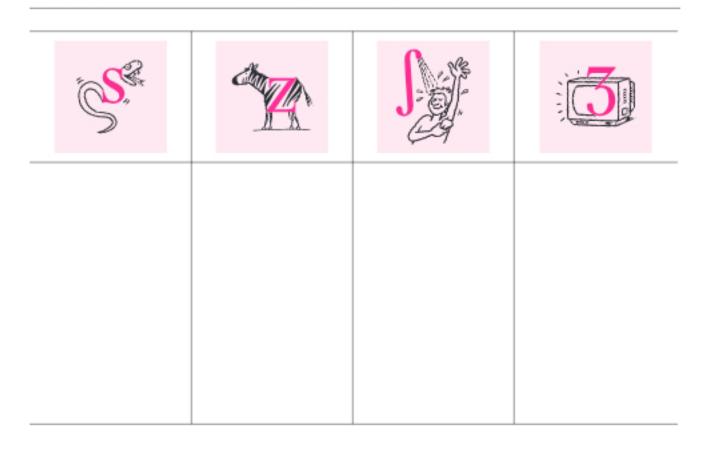
We sometimes used to have tea together...

- 1 When do we use *used to*? How do we make questions?
- 2 Are these things probably true now?

3 PRONUNCIATION & SPEAKING the letter s, used to

a ①5.17 Listen to the sounds and the words in the list. How is s (or se) pronounced? Write the words in the correct columns.

used to usually use (verb) busy decision friends lose music occasion parents promise raise singer sport sugar summer supermarket sure unusual



- **b** ① 5.18 Listen and check.
- **c** Answer with a partner.
 - 1 How is s usually pronounced at the beginning of a word? What are the two exceptions?
 - 2 What two ways can s be pronounced at the end of a word?
 - 3 How is s pronounced in vowel + -sion?

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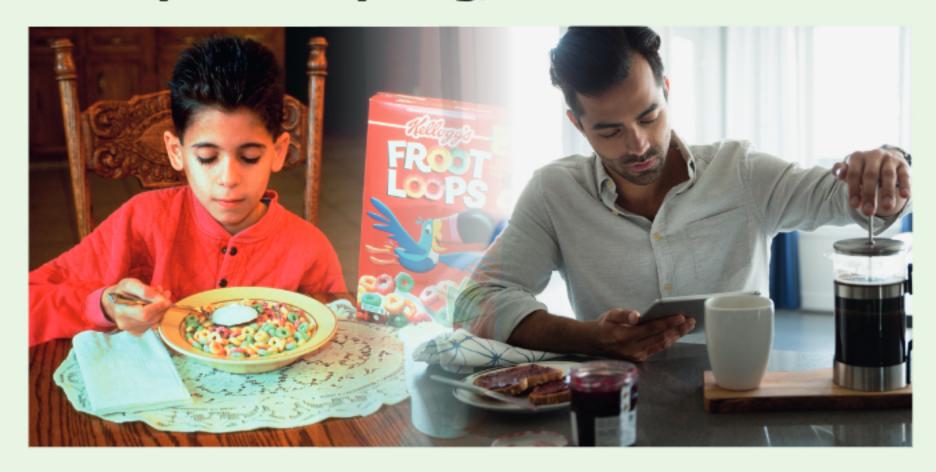
used to

Remember that used to and (didn't) use to are usually linked, and are both pronounced /'yustə/.

d ① 5.19 Listen and write five sentences. Then practice saying them. e In pairs, tell each other about **TWO** of the following. Give as much information as you can.

Past and **present** habits

When you were young,...



- what did you use to have for breakfast? What do you usually have now?
- what music did you use to listen to a lot? What do you usually listen to nowadays?
- what books or comics did you use to read? What do you usually read now?
- where did you use to spend your summer vacation?
 What do you usually do now in the summer?

Is there...

 a friend you used to be really close to, but don't see anymore?

 a TV show you used to be addicted to? What kinds of shows do you usually watch now?

 a machine or device you used to use a lot, but don't use anymore? What apps or devices do you usually use now to communicate with your friends?

 a sport or game you used to play a lot, but which you've given up? What exercise do you do nowadays?



4 VOCABULARY relationships

- a Match the words and photos.
 - a colleague
 - a friend
 - argue with somebody
 - discuss something with somebody
 - meet somebody (for the first time)
 - know somebody (for a long time)







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- c Think of one of your close friends. Ask and answer the questions with a partner.
 - How long have you known him / her?
 - Where did you meet?
 - Why do you get along well?
 - What do you have in common?
 - Do you ever argue? What about?
 - How often do you see each other?
 - How do you keep in touch?
 - Have you ever lost touch? Why? When?
 - Do you think you'll stay friends?
- d What four letters can you put after these "people" words to form an abstract noun?

friend leader member partner relation

- Complete the sentences with an abstract noun from d.
 - 1 My sister and I have a very good _____. We get along really well.
 - 2 My gym _____ expires at the end of the month.
 I'll need to renew it.
 - 3 One of the qualities a boss needs the most is good skills.
 - 4 Marriage should be an equal _____
 - 5 Elena Ferrante's Neapolitan Novels are about the _____ between two young girls, Lila and Elena.

5 LISTENING

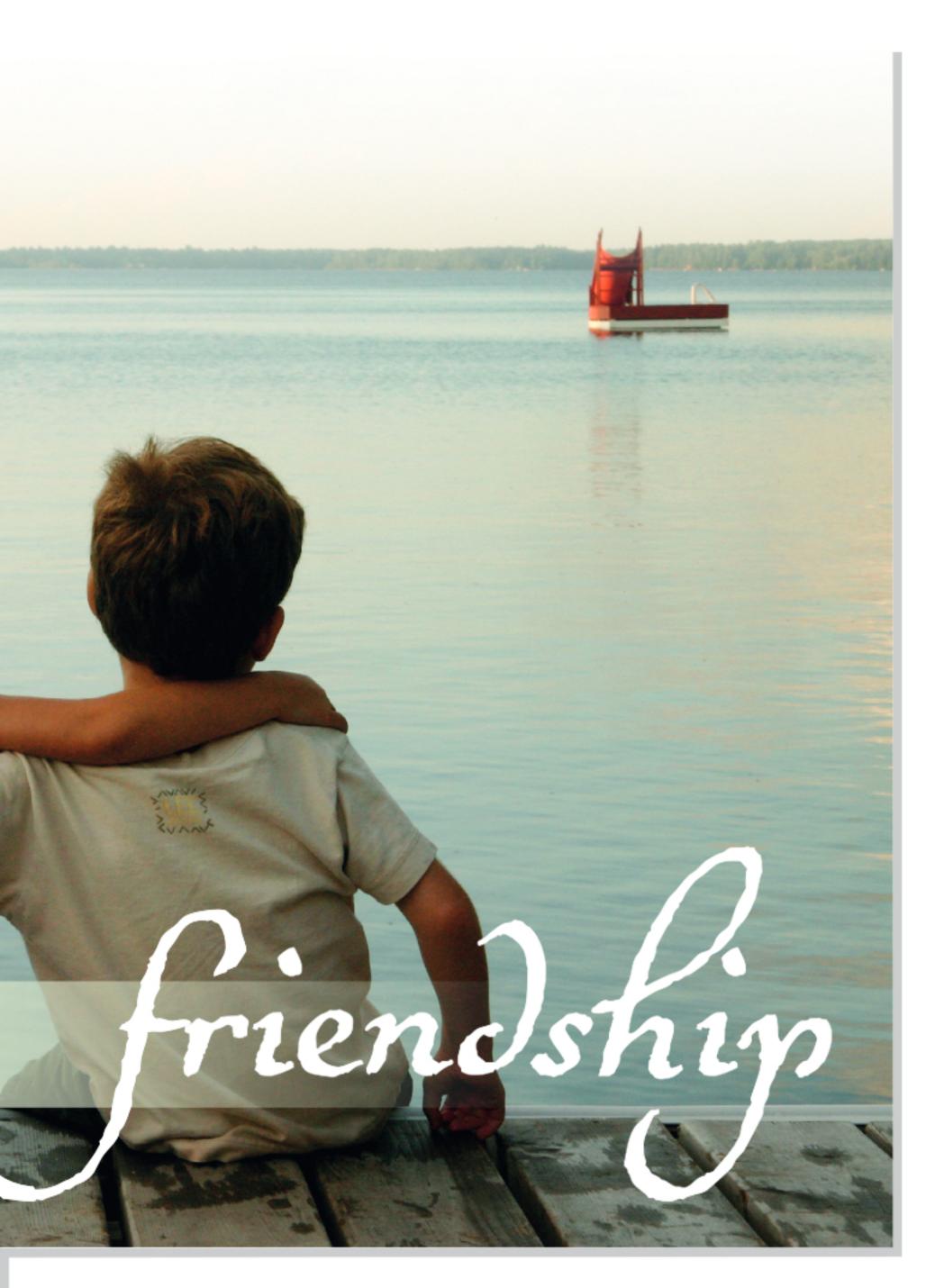


Surprising facts about



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	have	friends,	too!

- 2 We have more real friends thanks to
- 3 Having friends at work makes you more
- 4 ____ can make you lose two friends.
- 5 Friendship is good for your ______.
- a You're going to listen to part of a radio show where the hosts are talking about friendship. With a partner, guess the missing words in the five facts.
- b ①5.22 Listen to the show and check. Were you correct?



Listen again and complete the chart.

Fact 1 some examples	
Fact 2 the reason	
Fact 3 the reason, and the exception	
Fact 4 the reason	
Fact 5 the reason, and a statistic	

From your experience, do you think these facts are true?

SPEAKING

Read sentences A–G. Check (✓) the ones you agree with and cross out (X) the ones you don't agree with. Think about your reasons.

Α	You can only have two or three close friends.
В	Going on vacation with friends can end the friendship.
С	Men keep their friends longer than women.
D	You should never criticize your friends' partners.
E	It's impossible to stay good friends with an ex-partner.
F	It's impossible to be real friends with someone who's much older or much younger than you.
G	Parents should never try to be friends with their children.

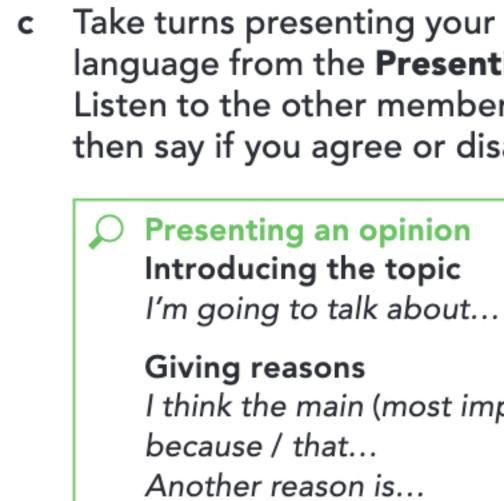
In groups of three or four, each choose one topic you're going to talk about. Prepare what you're going to say, using the plan below.

Topic:

Do you (strongly) agree, (strongly) disagree, or both agree and disagree?

Reasons and examples (from your own experience or of people you know):

c Take turns presenting your opinion. Use the language from the **Presenting an opinion** box. Listen to the other members of your group and then say if you agree or disagree, and why.



I think the main (most important) reason is Another reason is...

Giving examples

For example, I have a friend who I've known since I was five years old...

For instance, when I broke up with my ex-boyfriend,...



past and present habits and states

1 I used to teach English when I was living abroad. **3** 5.16 He didn't use to exercise at all, but now he runs marathons. I never used to like soccer, but I watch it every week now. We used to be close friends, but we don't talk to each other anymore.

That hotel **used to have** a swimming pool, but they closed it. Did they use to live downtown?

Didn't you use to have long hair?

2 I usually meet my friends on the weekends.

I don't usually go out during the week.

Houses in the suburbs usually have yards.

Do you usually walk to work?

- 1 For past habits and states, we use used to / didn't use to + base form.
- used to does not exist in the present tense. NOT *luse to* get up at 8:00 during the week.
- We use used to for things that were true over a period of time in the past. used to often refers to something that is not true now.
 - I used to play a lot of sports. (= I played a lot of sports for a period of time in the past, but now I don't)
- We often use never used to instead of didn't use to.
- used to / didn't use to can be used with action verbs (e.g., go, do) and nonaction verbs (e.g., be, have).
- We can also use the simple past to describe past habits (often with an adverb of frequency). We (often) went to the beach for our vacations when I was a child.

2 For present habits, we use a verb in the simple present, often with an adverb of frequency, e.g., usually or normally.

used to or simple past?

We can use used to or the simple past (often with an adverb of frequency) for repeated actions or states and the meaning is the same.

I used to live in Miami as a child. I lived in Miami as a child.

We used to go to the movies on Saturdays. We often went to the movies on Saturdays.

But we have to use the simple past if:

- we mention exact dates or number of times.
- the action happened only once. We went to the movies on Saturday.

anymore and any longer

We often use not... anymore / any longer (= not now) with the simple present to contrast with used to.

I used to go to the gym, but I don't (go) anymore / any longer.

be used to and get used to

Don't confuse used to / didn't use to (do something) with be used to or get used to (doing something).

I am used to getting up early every day. (= I am accustomed to it – I always do it, so it is not a problem for me)

Lola can't get used to living in the US. (= She can't get accustomed to it. It's a problem for her)

Are the highlighted verb forms right (1) or wrong (X)? Correct the wrong ones.

> When I was a teenager I use to have very short hair. X used to have

- 1 I didn't used to like my math teacher when I was at school.
- 2 Do you usually tell close friends about your problems?
- 3 My sister never didn't use to want children, but now she has four!
- 4 How used you to keep in touch in the days before the internet?
- 5 They used to go on vacation together every winter because they all love skiing.
- 6 That couple has three kids, so they don't usually go out at night.
- 7 Did your parents use to meet each other at college?
- 8 My husband use to work for a bank, but now he's unemployed.
- 9 We love the theater. Nowadays, we use to go to a play at least once a month.

Complete with used to + base form or usually + simple present (+, -, or ?) and a verb from the list.

	gue be eat eat out get along go have ay speak watch work
	My brother <u>didn't use to eat</u> vegetables, but now he loves them.
1	We a lot in common, but now we're
	completely different.
2	We to bed early during the week because we
	have to get up at 6:00 a.m.
3	ITV on my phone, but now I often do.
	you soccer on Sunday mornings? Could I
	join you next weekend?
	They love sushi so they in Japanese restaurants.
	Where your husband before he got the
	job in the bank?
	My sister has lost a lot of weight. She never so slim.
	you a lot with your parents when you
	were a teenager?
9	Laura really well with her roommates, but they
	occasionally argue about housework.
0	My ex-boyfriend to me, but now he
-	calls me all the time.

Relationships

VOCABULARY BANK

1 PEOPLE

a Match the words and definitions.

classmate /ˈklæsmeɪt/
close friend /kloʊz ˈfrɛnd/ colleague /ˈkalig/
couple /ˈkʌpl/ ex /ɛks/ fiancé /fianˈseɪ/
(female fiancée) partner /ˈpartnər/
roommate /ˈrummeɪt/

b 5.20 Listen and check.

ACTIVATION Cover the definitions and look at the words. Remember the definitions.

1 <u>couple</u>	two people who are married or in a romantic relationship
2	_ your husband, wife, boyfriend, or girlfriend
3	_ the person that you are engaged to be married to
4	_ a person that you share an apartment with
5	_ a person that you work with
6	(<i>colloquial</i>) a person that you used to have a relationship with
7	a very good friend that you can talk to about anything
8	a person who is in the same class as you at school

2 VERB PHRASES

a Complete the sentences with a verb or verb phrase in the past tense.

be together become friends break up get along get in touch get married get to know go out together have (something) in common lose touch meet propose

- 1 I met Mark when I was studying at Boston University.
- 2 We ______ each other quickly because we went to the same classes.
- 3 We soon ______, and we discovered that we _____ a lot _____. For example, we both liked art and music.
- 4 We _____ in our second semester and we fell in love.
- 5 We ______ for two years, but we argued a lot, and in our last semester of school, we _____ (or split up).
- 6 After we graduated, we ______ because I moved to Chicago, and he stayed in Boston.
- 7 Five years later, we _____ again on Facebook. We were both still single and Mark had moved to Chicago, too.
- 8 This time we ______ better than before, maybe because we were older.
- 9 After two months, Mark _____ and I accepted.
- 10 We _____ last summer. A lot of our old college friends came to the wedding!
- b **5.21** Listen and check.

ACTIVATION Cover the sentences and look at the pictures. Remember the story.





















