

Would for Past Habits

would + infinitive = repeated past action

NAME _____

DATE _____

KEY RULE:

would + infinitive = repeated past action/routine. Cannot use 'would' with past states (be, have, like, know).

1 Choose the correct option

EASY

Choose 'would' to express a past habit.

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| 1. Every Sunday, my dad ____ make breakfast. | 2. When I was a student, I ____ stay up late. |
| 3. She ____ always bring flowers when she visited. | 4. In summer, we ____ go to the lake every day. |
| 5. He ____ read a story to his children every night. | 6. They ____ meet at the café after school. |
| 7. My grandfather ____ tell us stories. | 8. As a child, she ____ collect stamps. |
| 9. On Saturdays, they ____ visit the market. | 10. We ____ play board games every Friday. |

2 Write the correct form

MEDIUM

Write 'would' + verb for past habit.

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| 1. Every evening, my mother (read) ____ to us. | 2. In winter, we (sit) ____ by the fire. |
| 3. He (walk) ____ to school every day, even in rain. | 4. On Saturdays, they (visit) ____ the market. |
| 5. She (write) ____ long letters to her pen pal. | 6. As a student, I (spend) ____ hours in the library. |
| 7. My dad (cook) ____ Sunday dinner for everyone. | 8. She (practise) ____ piano every afternoon. |
| 9. They (play) ____ chess after school. | 10. He (bring) ____ flowers for his mother every week. |

3 would or used to?

HARD

Decide: use would OR used to (where would is wrong).

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| 1. We ____ live in a small flat. (state) | 2. She ____ sing in the choir every week. (habit) |
| 3. She ____ like classical music. (state) | 4. We ____ know everyone in the village. (state) |
| 5. He ____ tell jokes at every party. (habit) | 6. I ____ practise guitar every night. (habit) |
| 7. They ____ have a big house by the sea. (state) | 8. She ____ cycle to work every day. (habit) |
| 9. I ____ be very shy teenager. (state) | 10. He ____ walk to school every morning. (habit) |

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Error correction**HARDER**

Correct the mistake if there is one.

1. She would be a dancer when she was young.

3. I would have a cat when I was young.

5. They would know everyone in the neighbourhood.

7. He would love playing football child.

9. I would be scared of the dark child.

2. He would walk miles to get to school.

4. We would eat dinner together every evening.

6. She would practice piano every afternoon.

8. We would visit our grandparents every summer.

10. She would bake bread every Saturday morning.

Answer Key

Check your answers below

1 Exercise 1 would + habit

1 would

2 would

3 would

4 would

5 would

6 would

7 would

8 would

9 would

10 would

2 Exercise 2 Write would + verb

1 would read

2 would sit

3 would walk

4 would visit

5 would write

6 would spend

7 would cook

8 would practise

9 would play

10 would bring

3 Exercise 3 would or used to

1 used to

2 would

3 used to

4 used to

5 would

6 would

7 used to

8 would

9 used to

10 would

4 Exercise 4 Error correction

1 used to be (state)

2 correct

3 used to have (state)

4 correct

5 used to know (state)

6 correct

7 used to love (state)

8 correct

9 used to be (state)

10 correct