

I always go to school by bus.

Present habit

- What does the sentence express here?

- What would this action mean to you in ten years?

Past habit

- How can we express habit in the past?

Used to

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I can run for 2 hours. =>

ability in the present

- What does the sentence express here?
- What would this action mean to you in 50 years?
- How can we express ability in the past?

Past Ability

Was/Were able to

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→ obligation in the present.

I must work hard so that I can graduate with distinction.

- What does the sentence express here?

- What would this action mean to you in 50 years?

- How can we express obligation in the past?

→ obligation
in the past

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Expressing habit-ability and obligation in the past

Habit in the past, means something we used to do it but no longer do.

→ To express habit in the present we use the present simple:

Ex: I always wake up at 08:00am

→ To express past habit we use the *Semi modal* "**used to + stem**" for *the affirmative form*

Negative form: **didn't use to + stem**

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Ex: ancient people used to settle near or along rivers.

Ancient people didn't use to live in cities.

N.b: "used to + stem" could replace the past simple or this expression "had the habit of"

Ex: a- ancient people had the habit of settling along rivers

b- Ancient people used to settle along rivers.

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2- To express ability in the past we use **“was/were able to + stem”**
for **the affirmative form**

The negative form: was/were unable to + stem

Ex: Ancient people **were able to face** many challenges.

The Sumerians **were unable to control** the internal conflicts.

N.b: **was/were able to** can replace **“could- managed to- or had the ability”**

Ex: the Sumerians **managed to control** the great rivers.

~~The Sumerians **were able to control** the great rivers.~~

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3- Expressing obligation in the past:

To express obligation in the past we use *the semi modal*

“had to+ stem for the affirmative form

Negative form: didn't have to+ stem

Ex: The Phoenicians **had to barter** their goods with other settlers.

Ancient people **didn't have to wonder** in search of food anymore.

N.b: **“Had to”** can replace the expression **“was/were obliged to”**

Ex: Ancient Phoenicians **were obliged to barter** their goods with other settlers.

Ancient Phoenicians had to barter their goods with other settlers.

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• **Task: Join the pairs of sentences using the connectors given. Make the necessary changes.**

1- Many Algerian cities had Roman names. (Used to- was/were able to/ Had to)

2- Many Algerian cities used to have Roman names.

3- Tarek ibn Ziad managed to defeat The Spaniards and invade Andalusia. (Used to- was/were able to- Had to)

4- Tarek Ibn Ziad was able to defeat The Spaniards and invade Andalusia

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Construct

5-The Sumerians were obliged to build dams because some of their regions were too dry. (Used to- was/were able to- Had to)

6- The Sumerian ^{كاف} had to build dams, because

7-I played Guitar when I was young. It's difficult. (Used to- was/were able to/ had to)

8- I used to play Guitar when I was young

9-Athens and Sparta could defeat the invading Persian (Used to- was/were able to/ had to)

10- Athens and Sparta were able to defeat the invading

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