‘be used to’ and ‘get used to’
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Language quiz
Now let’s practise what you learned in this lesson! Complete the gap with the correct form of ‘be’ or ‘get’. Be careful of the tense!

Max is a pilot. A year ago, he started doing long-haul flights. At first, he found the long distances hard. He 1.____ used to working such long hours and it took him a few months to 2.____ used to it. Now, after a year, it’s normal for him. He 3.____ used to doing long-haul flights.

Now we 4.____ used to it, but when we first moved from a small flat in the city centre to a big house in the countryside, we found the peace and quiet very strange. We 5.____ used to noisy streets and lots of traffic, so it took us some time to 6.____ used to the silence. But we’re glad we 7.____ used to it because we’ve never slept better!

Well done! Now you can check your answers at the bottom of the next page.
Speaking and writing practice

If someone is thinking of moving to your country, what advice can you give them? Tell them about the things that might be the same and might be different. Remember to use ‘be used to’ and ‘get used to’ in your sentences. Write at least five sentences.

Here’s an example:
- British people drink a lot of tea – you will have to get used to drinking tea.
- If you aren’t used to eating potatoes, British food might be strange at first.
- If you live in a city, you are probably used to taking public transport. That’s the same here, but if you drive a car, you will have to get used to driving on the left.

Language quiz answers

Max is a pilot. A year ago, he started doing long-haul flights. At first, he found the long distances hard. He 1. wasn’t used to working such long hours and it took him a few months to 2. get used to it. Now, after a year, it’s normal for him. He 3. is used to doing long-haul flights.

Now we 4. are used to it, but when we first moved from a small flat in the city centre to a big house in the countryside, we found the peace and quiet very strange. We 5. were / had been used to noisy streets and lots of traffic, so it took us some time to 6. get used to the silence. But we’re glad we 7. got / are used to it because we’ve never slept better!