



Lesson B1-04 | Low Intermediate | CEFR B1

Would - Past Tense

Use the words in the Grammar Challenge to complete the gaps.

Conversation 1

Man: What was it like growing up on a farm?
Woman: It was the best. I _____ have so much fun.
Man: Really? What would you do?
Woman: I'd _____, play with my dog, tend to animals, and just have fun!
Man: Sounds fun!
Woman: It was! Everyday I _____ up early and I'd be outside all day. I _____ inside until dark.
Man: Wow! Sounds like you had a great childhood.
Woman: It was.

Conversation 2

Woman: What was it like growing up in the city?
Man: It was fun. I have many good memories.
Woman: Yeah? Such as?
Man: Well, my friends and I used _____ out downtown. We _____ on the sidewalk and watch the world go by. It was so fun. Sometimes, we'd get in trouble though.
Woman: Really? What _____ do?
Man: Well, we _____ loud or naughty. Kid stuff. Nothing serious, though.
Woman: Yeah, sounds familiar.

Conversation 3

Man: What was _____ in the army?
Woman: It was good, but it was very hard.
Man: Really? How so?
Woman: Well, we were always busy. Every day we would get up really early. Then, we _____ for ten miles. After that, we'd _____ training.
Man: Wow! What would you do in the afternoon?
Woman: More training. Usually, _____ stop training until late.
Man: That is so tough. How much sleep did you get?
Woman: Not much. We would usually get about six hours a night. It wasn't enough, though.
Man: Do you miss it?
Woman: Yeah, sometimes.

Quiz

- 1) On the farm she would _____.
 - a) ride horses
 - b) get in trouble
- 2A) In the city he would _____.
 - a) waste money
 - b) make a lot of noise
- 2B) In the city he would _____.
 - a) people watch
 - b) stay out of trouble
- 3) In the army she would not _____ much.
 - a) train
 - b) sleep

Grammar Challenge

Use the words below to complete each conversation.

Conv #1	Conv #2	Conv #3
ride horses	would be	we wouldn't
wouldn't go	to hang	march for
would get	would you	life like
used to	would sit	do more

Speaking Challenge

Match the answers with the questions.

- 1) As a kid, would you get in trouble?
- 2) As a kid, who would you fight with?
- 3) As a teen, how often would you go to the movies?
- 4) As a teen, how much money would you spend every day?
- 5) As a teen, where would you hang out?

- [] I would argue with my sister.
- [] I would often hang out at the mall.
- [] Yes, I would sometimes make my mom mad.
- [] I would see a movie about once a month.
- [] I would spend maybe 300 yen a day.

What about you? Share your answers to the questions.

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